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NOT SUCH A BAD OLD WORLD, AFTER

NUMBER OF PAVING PROJECTS ALREADY LINED UP BY CITY

Board of Public Works to Advertise for Bids in March

APPROACHES TO RIVERSIDE PARK PAVED NEXT YEAR

To Connect Up Paving in Pettibone Park

A NUMBER of paving projects to be completed by the city next summer have already been ordered by the common council and are now in the hands of the board of public works. One of the street work planned so far will be done in the east end of the city.

The board of public works has been ordered to advertise for bids in March for contracts on the following streets: Farnsworth street, from State to Vine. Ellwood street, from State to Vine. Tremont street, from Cass to Market.

Rose street, from Monitor to Gould. Rose street, from St. James to Clinton.

St. Andrews street, Charles to Denton.

In addition, the three park approaches on State, Main and Pearl streets have been ordered, contracts for which will be advertised for in March.

Concrete drives at the four corners of the Rose street viaduct have been ordered. An amount to handle this work was placed in the 1924 budget.

Plans and estimates for the paving of Shore street, from the Green Bay road to the bluff have been reported to the board of public works. However, it is believed this stretch will not be included in any paving program for the street having recently been improved.

Plans and estimates for a stretch connecting between the bridges in Pettibone park, which will connect up the paving across the river have been prepared.

THEFT OF JAP SOCIALIST LEADER'S ASHES NEARLY STARTS TROUBLE IN TOKIO

TOKIO.—By the Associated Press.—The ashes of the late Sakaye Osugi, socialist leader, which were stolen from a room in which the urn was lying in state before funeral services on December 16, will be returned to the police tomorrow, the snatchers have informed authorities.

The theft was committed by three armed men who escaped in an automobile. The incident precipitated a situation which was considered critical for a time, headquarters of the anti-socialist league having been closely guarded after socialists were said to have threatened reprisals for the desecration of the remains of their leader.

Osugi was slain with his wife and child by Captain Amakasu, a gendarmerie officer, who declared he was actuated by patriotic motives. He is now serving a sentence of ten years' imprisonment for the slaying.

MAY PASS LAW TO MAKE OFFICIALS TRAVEL AMERICAN

Shipping Board Boats Get Bad Advertising by Use of Foreign Lines

BY DAVID LAWRENCE

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Congress may pass a law requiring all American officials, diplomats, consuls and agents to travel on American ships hereafter.

LAWRENCE

This is the likely sequel to the incident which has just aroused the senate in connection with the discovery that the American Bar association did not buy passage for its members on an American ship but gave the business to a foreign steamship line.

Congress had no control, of course, over private bodies like the American Bar association, but the hope is that when the government compels people on its own payroll to travel on American ships the example may be borne into other American citizens as a patriotic duty.

Bad Advertising

The shipping board has again and again been confronted abroad with the humiliating argument of prospective passengers that if American officials do not consider their own ships worth while patronizing why should anyone else do so. At present it would be a simple thing for congress to attach a rider to all appropriation bills where travel is involved requiring that passage always be engaged on American ships wherever American ships sail to the destinations to where the journey on official business is to be made. There could be a proviso, of course, that in case of an emergency a cabinet officer shall have the right to make exceptions to the rule for the benefit of the personnel of his department. This would take care of all cases in which officials would be subjected to delays if they waited for particular sailings.

The general effect, however, of such a stipulation in appropriation bills would be to make American officials patronize their own fleet and the impression resulting therefrom

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VIROQUA CITIZEN COMMITS SUICIDE MONDAY MORNING

Slashes His Throat and Wrists With a Razor; Body Found by Employe

Elmer Officer, Viroqua coal dealer, committed suicide this morning by cutting his throat and slashing his wrists with a razor. He was found shortly after seven o'clock by one of his employees, Mr. Barker, lying in his office with the razor aside of him.

Police officials of Viroqua and members of his family know of no motive for his actions, no note being found. He attended church with his family on Sunday and appeared in the best of spirits. He left his home this morning at seven o'clock for his office, just as usual. He is engaged in the coal and transfer business with his son-in-law, Mr. Nystrom. Mr. Officer was about fifty years old.

KILLED BY ROBBERS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Oscar Lanzar, 50 years old, a watchman employed by the Sturr Burlad Motor company, was found Monday in the garage, shot through the heart. According to officials $85 was missing from a drawer in the store room.

PASTOR GETS BONUS

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—A Christmas bonus check for $3,025 was presented to the Rev. C. Leitzell, associate pastor of the First Methodist church, by members of the congregation at Sunday night's services.

WEATHER REPORT

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES

For La Crosse and Vicinity: Unsettled tonight with possibly light rain or snow. Tuesday generally fair. Not much change in temperature.

For Wisconsin: Unsettled weather tonight and Tuesday; probably rain or snow. Warmer tonight in east portion.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES

6 a. m.	6	10 a. m.	28
7 a. m.	10	11 a. m.	30
8 a. m.	18	12 m.	34
9 a. m.	27	1 p. m.	49

NATION-WIDE RECORD

	Low Yes-terday night	High today	Prec.
Bismarck	20	36	
Chicago	28	40	.01
Denver	22	54	0
Helena	36	42	0
Huron	18	38	0
Jacksonville	56	72	.41
Kansas City	28	56	0
La Crosse	24	37	0
Madison	20	30	0
Memphis	36	48	0
Medicine Hat	22	38	.02
Milwaukee	22	42	.02
Miles City	30	40	.06
New York	34	46	0
New Orleans	46	62	0
San Diego	50	70	0
St. Paul-Minneapolis	24	34	0
Washington	38	53	.10

FOUR SHOT DURING LIQUOR RAIDS IN ILLINOIS TOWNS

Dry Agents Round Up Alleged Bootleggers in Williamson County

MOONSHINERS WOUNDED IN CLASH WITH THE AGENTS

Great Excitement in Small Towns When Raid is Staged

MARION, Ill.—Four men were shot, one seriously, in a round-up of alleged moonshiners and bootleggers in Williamson county on Saturday night and Sunday, and thirteen persons were held in the Franklin county jail at Benton, and sixty-two were at liberty under bonds ranging from $2,000 to $5,000. All were charged with violating the federal prohibition law.

Ammeto Terbereho of Freeman, is in the hospital at West Frankfort, shot in the head, stomach and back. Three others were treated for superficial bullet wounds at West Frankfort.

Otis Clark, the first man indicted in connection with the Herrin mine killings, was among those arrested.

The raiders swooped down on all nearby towns almost simultaneously, and early Sunday there was great excitement in Benton. It is being estimated that more than 3,000 persons were gathered in the town square.

The raids came at a time when the alleged bootleggers were preparing for a big Christmas business in the belief that the majority of dry agents had been called into Chicago for holiday duty.

FROST PREDICTED TO PUT SNAP IN CHRISTMAS AIR

WASHINGTON, D. C.—No "white Christmas" is in prospect, but there will be a bite in the air Christmas morning, in marked contrast to the conditions of the last few days, when summer-like weather has prevailed over a wide area.

Light frost is predicted by the weather bureau as far south as extreme northern Florida. Indications are for generally fair weather in the middle Atlantic, South Atlantic, East Gulf states, Tennessee, the Ohio valley, and the Lower Lakes region. The only snow fall probable is predicted for portions of Northern New England and Northern New York, and this may turn to local rains.

BRIBERY CHARGES AGAINST CANNON DROPPED IN COURT

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Two actions brought against Ray J. Cannon, Milwaukee attorney, were dismissed in municipal court here Monday on motion of Francis J. McGovern, his attorney.

The indictments naming Cannon charged that he attempted to bribe Winfred C. Zabel, former district attorney, with a case of champagne, and had extorted $400 from a client through false pretenses.

The indictments were issued last spring. Neither Cannon nor his attorney was in court when the charges were nolled.

VETERAN KILLED IN LOGGING ACCIDENT

MENOMINEE, Mich.—Joe Ducharms, 35 years old, world war veteran and a casualty of the 1913 American expeditionary force in Mexico, was killed Sunday, when he fell from a load of logs which started to roll off a carrier and crushed him to death, at Pentoga. Ducharme was working overtime to finish his work so that he could visit his parents here during the holidays.

While on the Mexican border in 1913 Ducharme was severely wounded and lay on the scorching sands for forty-eight hours before being rescued. During the world war he served as a sergeant in France.

RAID MEETING IN ERIN—ARREST EIGHT

BELFAST, Ireland.—Members of the Ulster constabulary and special officers raided yesterday a meeting in Londonderry and arrested eight persons present, including a natoinalist election agent. Four of the prisoners were recently released from internment. It is intimated that startling developments are expected. Those attending the meeting declare its object was to raise funds for the defense of the men charged with the murder of Howard McKay during the 1920 riots.

CLOUDY WEATHER FOR CHRISTMAS IS IS FORECAST HERE

Cloudy weather, with moderate temperature, is the forecast for Christmas day in La Crosse. There is a possibility there will be a light rain or snow Monday afternoon or evening. In the east folks are getting old time Christmas weather, with snow and all the trimmings, according to A. D. Sanial, assistant weather observer. In New York, for example, they are having a heavy snow borne on the wings of a 26-mile wind. In places on the ridges in La Crosse county, especially on the north side of the hills, there was some snow Sunday, the rain late Saturday night changing to snow.

NO PAPER CHRISTMAS

In order that employes of the Tribune may enjoy the holiday with their families, there will be no issue of this paper Christmas day. The Tribune and Leader-Press extends to all its readers sincerest wishes for a merry Christmas.

LITTLE GIRL INVALID IS GRANTED HER CHRISTMAS BOON; DEATH ENDS AGONY

CAMDEN, N. J.—The Christmas season brought to thirteen-year- old Helen Hamilton, the gift she most desired, the one for which she had prayed—death. Racked for months by almost intolerable pain due to a ruptured heart—the result of a childish prank eight years ago—the heroic little girl died Sunday with her mother's arms about her and secure in the belief that she would find a painless, perfect happiness in the world beyond. Clasped tightly to her breast was her favorite doll which she asked to be buried with her. Her last words were a prayer for death.

"Jesus, take me. Take me, Jesus," she said.

Wanted to Die on Birthday

Her pale lips had prayed that she might live until her birthday, November 26. She had hoped to die that day. When it passed she appeared to rally, but soon afterward passed into a lethargic state from which she rarely was aroused. The climax of her suffering came Saturday morning and twelve hours later she told her mother, Mrs. Emma Hamilton, a widow, that she knew the end was near. "Take me in your lap, mother," she said. "I know this is the end. I know that in a few minutes I will die. I want to feel your arms around me. I want to be held close before I go."

"Then," said Mrs. Hamilton, "her dear, thin arms came around my neck. Three times she kissed me. Never have I known anything so sweet as those kisses. I can never forget them.

"A few minutes later I saw her lips move and leaned over to hear. 'Dear, dear Jesus,' she was saying. 'I am suffering so much. Please, please take me.' Then her hands stiffened. There came a swift, short convulsion and she was gone."

Many Relieve Poverty

Little Helen's case attracted nation-wide attention. When it became known that she faced death with such fortitude and in poverty, a substantial fund was raised for her and gifts of all descriptions were sent her from many parts of the country.

She will be buried Wednesday with her doll and in white satin dress and white satin shoes, as she had requested.

Los Angeles Man Third American On Expert Board

PARIS. — By the Associated Press.—Henry M. Robinson, lawyer and banker of Los Angeles, has been selected as the third American to serve on the expert committees which are to investigate the condition of Germany's finances under the auspices of the reparation commission.

The other two American members, previously selected, are Charles G. Dawes and Owen D. Young. Mr. Robinson, who is president of the First National bank of Los Angeles, and prominently identified with other financial institutions, was a member of the supreme economic council at the Paris peace conference in 1919. He also represented the United States at the first international labor conference. He was created a chevalier of the Legion of Honor in 1920.

STICK-UPS SHOOT MARSHAL AND AIDE IS HURT IN FIGHT

Two Negroes Arrested One Wounded, After Fatal Gun Battle

JACKSON, Miss.—Two negroes are under arrest, another is being trailed by officers, three tramps are in custody and Bolton, Miss., is without a marshal because of a shooting affair on a freight train Saturday night in which Marshal Ollie Lancaster was killed.

Will Hamilton, white, accompanying the marshal, was wounded in the exchange of shots with three alleged holdup negroes. The holdup of a negro at Edwards by the black trio which jumped from the train but boarded it again after the robbery was reported. Lancaster went to the train in Bolton a short time later to search for the three. The officer was recognized in the dark and shot to death.

Leslie Heard, negro, with a shot wound in his leg, was picked up near Bolton by a planter. Heard, according to the officers, told of the shooting and blamed a third negro, Henry Lee, another negro of the trio, was captured after bloodhounds had been put on the trail. Heard and Lee are in the county jail here. Sheriff Williams is still searching for the negro alleged to have done the killing.

Four white tramps who were on train at the time of the Bolton tragedy were taken into custody. Three are held in the county jail at Raymond, and one, whose leg was broken and whom his companions say they were taking care of at the time of the shooting, was taken to a hospital in Vicksburg.

ELECTRIC MOTOR OVER-HEATS AT BANNER DAIRY

Central fire station equipment was called to the Banner Dairy Lunch where an over-heated electric motor threatened to start a fire. Fire officials reported no damage.

SANTA CLAUS SAYS:

"I want all the boys and girls to go to bed early tonight because I've got lots of work to do and I want to get an early start. As I said when I first came to La Crosse, I wish that the children would ask their parents to leave the front door open tonight because I'm getting old and fat and it's a mighty hard job for me to come down the chimneys now. So, if you'll have the front doors open tonight, I sure will appreciate it.

"If you've got any dogs, please chain or tie them up. I haven't anything against the dogs, but I had enough experience with them last year. You know, one dog jumped at me and tore a big hole in my bag and I lost quite a few toys. I don't want that to happen this year so I hope you'll do this for me.

"I want to take this opportunity of wishing everyone in La Crosse, young and old alike, a very Merry Christmas."

REBELS AT POINT FORTY MILES FROM MEXICAN CAPITAL

Lose Pueblo in Airplane Attack if Obregon Statement is True

VERA CRUZ.—By The Associated Press.—Rebel forces have made their nearest approach to Mexico City so far with the capture yesterday of Cuernavaca, forty miles south of the capital, it is stated in a revolutionary communique issued here.

No heavy fighting was reported. The general situation is unchanged except for the approach to the national capital.

Puebla has not yet been evacuated, according to the rebel statement, which adds that the insurgents are engaged in heavy fighting with federal forces in the suburbs.

A government bulletin issued from Mexico City states that Puebla was captured Saturday and that 1,000 prisoners were taken by the federal forces in the engagement.

The attack on the rebel stronghold was begun by three airplanes which dropped bombs on fortresses, the statement said.

Rebel Force Annihilated

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—By the Associated Press.—General Fortunato Maycotte lost more than sixty per cent of his effectives as a result of the capture of Puebla by the federals, according to General Miguel Acosta, first under-secretary of war, thus eliminating Maycotte as a serious factor in the revolutionary situation. General Acosta declared latest estimates showed that 1,000 rebels were made prisoners, 1,000 were dispersed and 500 casualties on both sides.

Among Maycotte's losses was General Fernando Reyes, who was killed. He was a former Villista.

Preparations continued today for the pursuit of the main body of revolutionists. The rebels are reported making preparations for defense at Nanacamilpa, where they have fortified Tepoguchil hill.

LA FOLLETTE TO TAKE HIS SEAT ON JANUARY 4TH

Able to Hold Conferences With His Colleagues During Recess

MADISON, Wis.—United States Senator Robert M. La Follette will resume his seat in the senate on January 4 when congress reconvenes, according to an announcement received here Monday from Washington. Senator La Follette stated he will hold a number of conferences with progressive colleagues during the Christmas recess.

For the first time since he became ill on his return from Europe, Mr. La Follette this week ventured from his home and has taken short walks daily, the announcement stated.

FARM HOME BURNED

On Thursday Dec. 13 the home of Henry Kish west of the Otto Krause farm was totally destroyed by fire. It is thought the fire originated from a defective stove. The fire had made great headway before being discovered and none of the contents was saved. The building was covered by insurance.

CHRISTMAS WILL BE REAL HOLIDAY IN GATEWAY CITY

Spirit of Day Exemplified in Many Activities With Santa Claus Everywhere

MAIL CARRIERS QUIT WORK AT NOON ON THIS HOLIDAY

Churches and Lodges Have Special Exercises for Children

Christmas bells will chime merrily in La Crosse tomorrow.

Although there is no promise of a white Christmas, the holiday spirit will be manifest on every hand Tuesday. Family dinners, Christmas tree celebrations, special services and exercises in the churches and many social events will mark the observance of the day in La Crosse.

With public offices, stores, factories and other institutions closed, it will be a complete holiday in this city, and citizens will enjoy the occasion to the utmost.

Midnight mass will be celebrated in all La Crosse Catholic churches tonight. C. L. Hedges, street car company superintendent, announced that special service will be rendered on all lines excepting Market street. Passengers to that district will be left off at Seventh and Market streets.

Charitable organizations and persons have looked after the poor of the city, and many well laden Christmas baskets went out today to feed needy families tomorrow.

At the county jail and poor farm appetizing holiday dinners will be served inmates.

Special exercises in celebration of Christmas in Sunday schools and lodges started Saturday night and will run over the holiday. One of the big events Saturday night, was the Christmas tree celebration at the Eagles lodge for children of members. A delightful program was given and Santa Claus remembered every child with substantial presents.

There will be only one mail delivery Christmas day, carriers quitting work at noon.

At Salzer Church

The Salzer Memorial Christmas program will be given Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock by the Sunday school. The program follows:

Organ Prelude ..... Roy Hottman
"Silent Night," Sung by Dora Kiesling, Louisa Kleinsmith, Pearl Colby, Herald Bell, Bob Muenster, Roy Stacey and Donald Starch.
Scripture Reading ..... John Schafer
Song, "Oh: Du Selige" ..... By The Congregation.
Prayer
"Santa Is Coming" ..... Bob Franz
"A Brave Girl" ..... Edith Weldt
"The Merriest Day" .... Dorothy Schye
"Mery Christmas" ..... Ralph Hottman and Jane Zeratsky
Song ..... Levine Berg
"Christmas Brightness" .. Bob Bendel
"Santa's Smiles" ..... Ilene Parke
"The Gift Jesus Brought" ..... Elinor Muenster, Bob Merman Betty Miller, Billy Dickens
"The Best Way" ..... Bob Burgchardt
Song ..... Mrs. Hottman's Class
Recitation ..... Henry Vogel
"The Best Way" ..... Ruth Bendel
Recitation ..... Darwin Hoffschildt, Leoda Ertel, Virginia Burgchrdt
"Helping A Friend" .... Sylvia Dacey
Piano Selection ..... Ruth Radatz
"The Night Before Christmas" ..... Donald Starch
"Christmas Secrets" ..... Eleanore Hifenberg
"Alle Yahre Wieder" .. Henry Rephan
Song ..... By The Choir
"On to Bethlehem" ..... Helen Hanifl
"The Greatest Joy" ..... Fern Kelm
Solo, Ruth Radatz; accompanied by Louise Zeratky, piano, and Edwin Bernet, violin.
The Baby —Jesus— ..... Boyd Stacey
Recitation, "Wonderous Day" ..... Marie Gmeiner, Anna Mertlick, Hildegard Rephan, Geo. Markos and Jack Selve.
Christmas Carols ..... Charles Kelm
Song ..... Primary Department
"Das Baumchen ..... Walter Utecht
"We Three Kings" ..... Edwin Bernet, Dennis Palmer and Bob Muenster
Remarks by the pastor.
Offertory
Song By Mixed Quartette.
"There's a Song in The Air" ..... Sunday School

Burns Gives Gifts of Fruit

John C. Burns presented the Oak Forest sanitorium patients with Christmas presents of fruits and vegetables. A crate of oranges, crate of grapefruit, basket of apples, box of grapes and a crate of lettuce made up the present that was taken to the sanitorium by Sheriff Lund. Mr. Burns also gave Mr. Lund a large box of mixed fruits for county jail prisoners.

THREATEN GRAND JURY AT SECOND FREEING OF SLAYER

HURLEY, Wis.—Threats of requesting the governor to call a grand jury in the case were made by Robert M. Reiser, assistant attorney general, when a verdict of justifiable homicide was given by Justice M. E. Brandt, in the William Nurmi shooting case. Nurmi's case was dismissed for the second time. The last hearing was ordered by Governor Blaine.

MIDNIGHT MASS ON CHRISTMAS EVE FOR CALEDONIA FOLK

St. Peter's and St. John's Catholic Churches Celebrate Mass at 12 O'clock

CALEDONIA, Minn.—At St. Peter's Catholic church Rev. M. Kerresch, assisted by Rev. James Meyer and Rev. Pickel, will celebrate midnight mass on Christmas eve. Father Meyer will preach the sermon. Before the mass, these stanzas of Holy Night will be sung by the choir, with Miss Elsie Grimm and Lawrence Ernster as violin accompanists. There will also be choir accompaniment to the "offertory" and "communion". Low masses will be celebrated at the main altar and the side altars beginning at 7:30. A solemn high mass will terminate the services at 10:30.

At the St. John's Catholic church midnight mass will also be celebrated by Rev. M. Kerresch, the pastor, assisted by Rev. J. W. Haun of Winona as deacon. Albert Jennings of California, a seminarian at St. Paul's seminary, and Harold Medicus of Caledonia, also a seminarian of St. Paul, as master of ceremonies. Rev. Haun will deliver the midnight sermon. Other masses beginning at 6:00 o'clock, and concluding with a high mass at 10:00 o'clock.

Services will be conducted at St. John's Lutheran church at 10:00 a. m. by the pastor, Rev. E. Jeshke. The children of the Sunday school will have a Christmas program Monday evening. Services will be conducted in the Lutheran church by Rev. Jesse Wednesday at 10:00 a. m.

Rev. O. G. Fredrickson of the Emanuel Lutheran church will conduct services in the Danish language at 9 o'clock Christmas day. The Christmas tree festival will be on Wednesday, Dec. 26 at 7:30 p. m.

The St. Peter high school team downed the Rollingstone High team Friday by a decisive score of 72 to 23. Victory was the second for the St. Peter high school over the Winona junior team. The winners have one of the strongest high school teams in southeastern Minnesota.

The Caledonia boys' and girls' high school basketball teams journey over to Houston Friday evening where they were defeated in both games by the scores of 20 to 9 and 28 to 8. The Caledonia teams played a listless game and were outclassed by their opponents.

John Peters came home Friday from school at La Crosse to visit over the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Peters of Portland township.

Harold Medicus and Robert Jennings, students at the St. Paul seminary, came Friday to spend a fortnight at their homes.

F. J. Pirsch who is employed in Dubuque, came on Friday to spend a few weeks here with his family.

James Whaley and his sister Marc[illegible] arrived home Friday evening to visit relatives.

Mrs. D. W. Fuller returned to her home at Chicago after a visit here with her aunt, Mrs. Lucile Metcalf.

Miss Bernadette Heymann, a teacher at Harmony, came home Saturday to spend her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Heymann.

Grace Kenyon, a teacher at Homer, is spending her vacation at her home here.

TO BOY SCOUTS AND OFFICIALS

Friendly campfires kindled brightly,
Thrills of trails untrod before,
Good turns done unpraised, uncounted,
Badges earned for useful lore—

Year of scouting passed so quickly,
Year of scout adventure bold—
May your Christmas Day be joyful,
And the New Year fresh joy hold.

RELEASE IRISH REBELS

DUBLIN. — Release of prisoners from internment camps and jails in the Free State continues rapidly.

Fresh roasted Jumbo Peanuts for the Christmas tree, 5c sacks or 25c a pound. Bodega Club.

The Season's Greetings

To our many friends and customers, sent in sincere and cordial appreciation of the only asset that money cannot buy—*YOUR GOOD WILL.* This may be a little greeting but it carries *MANY THANKS* for your patronage during the past year.

Wiggert Bros. *321-323 Jay Street*

SAD CHRISTMAS FOR THIS PLUTE WHOSE LIQUOR IS STOLEN

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—After chloroforming a watch dog late Saturday night, bandits robbed the home of Croasdale Knott at Glenside, a suburb, of liquors said to be worth $11,000, it became known Monday. The bandits in their flight dropped $6,500 in bonds taken from a desk. Rare wines and cordials were included in the liquor stock, police said.

NEW LIGHTHOUSE OPENS

JUNEAU, Alaska.—By The Associated Press.—A $60,000 fog signalling station, erected on the north end of Admiralty Island, twenty miles south of here, has been completed by the government lighthouse service officials.

Try the Bodega Club when you want some fresh roasted Peanuts.

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Blue Bell Ginger Ale
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NORTH SIDE BOTTLING WORKS
PHONE 560-A.

WASHINGTON—Prohibition Commissioner Haynes reported that respect for the prohibition laws is growing and marked progress has been made in enforcement of the Harrison narcotic act.

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With the whir of Santa's aeroplane way off in the distance—with the jingle of his reindeers' sleighbells resounding back o'er the snowy hills—with the spirit of Christmas in our hearts and years, we wish you one and all, Friends, Patrons, Fellow Citizens, a

Merry Christmas

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Merry Christmas

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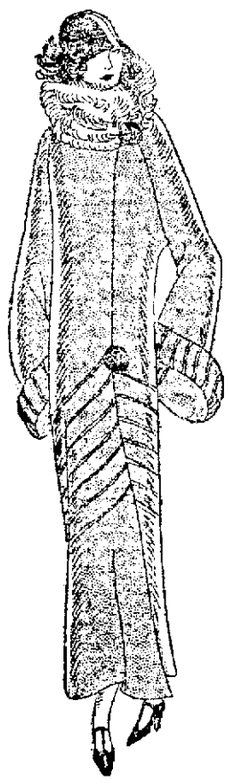

In the most important group we are showing Velverette, Bonnovaine, Lustrosa and Formosa, trimmed with beaver, fox, viatka and wolf. The styles include side-tie, tubular, tailored and flare models. $135 and $145 values at **$98.00**

Exquisite models in Gerona, luxuriously trimmed with beaver, fox, mode and viatka squirrel. $250, $275 and $325 values at **$197.50**

SPORT COATS in plaids and stripes, fur and plain trimmed, values up to $98. Semi-Annual Clearance price at **$57.50**

SUITS
Plain and fur trimmed, Poiret Twill and Velvet, trimmed with braid and fancy stitching. Sizes up to 38. Values to $97.50. Choice of any Suit in stock—
$29.75

DRESSES of Quality At Marked Savings

Taffeta and Canton Crepe Dresses, mostly small sizes; brown, navy, and black. Trimmed with ribbon, flounces, and embroidery. Values up to $50 at **$13.75**

Velvet, beaded Robes, etc., $135.00 values. Semi-Annual Clearance Sale **$98.75**

$75.00 and $85.00 Wool, Canton Crepe and Velvet Dresses. Clearance price at **$56.25**

$50.00 Velvet, Canton Crepe, Poiret Twill and Charmeen Dresses, priced at **$37.50**

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Why Not Always?

CHRISTMAS is easily the finest, most enjoyable day in the year, because of the gifts and feasting, and because on Christmas the best and finest of human emotions and ethics come to the surface.

Charity, tolerance, geniality, brotherhood, kindness—these are so in evidence at Christmas that they seem to be in the very air we breathe. And the reason is that all these are Christian qualities, and that Christmas is the only day when these finer qualities are so generally present that they are a natural part of daily life.

Humanity is struggling for a goal unknown. We wonder if that goal is not the happy time when the spirit of Christmas will, instead of being confined to a day or a season, spread out to include all days of the year.

Psychological Victory

IN news from Washington describing the struggle for control of the committees of the house of representatives and of the interstate commerce committee of the senate, emphasis is placed upon the tactical maneuvers rather than upon the results that may follow.

In the house the Old Guard surrenders and our own Congressman John M. Nelson is given a place upon the powerful committee on rules. Mr. Nelson is to be congratulated, for his new phase is one of honor, and may lead to power. It may mean much to legislation of interest to this state and over which there exists no reason for party or factional division.

But when it comes to the direction of reconstruction of the legislative program in such matters as amendment of the tax laws, the amendment of the Esch-Cummins law or any other of the matters of national importance and over which factional controversy exists, what will be the effect of this victory?

Analyze the membership of the committee on rules of the house. It is to be made up of eight republicans and four democrats. Of the eight republicans, seven have been selected because each has stood the fire and is counted an organization supporter. So confident is the Old Guard organization that one of its true and tried warhorses, Congressman Tilson, steps aside to make possible appointment of Congressman Nelson.

Now assuming that in a contest over controversial legislation Mr. Nelson should line up with the democratic membership, he would be powerless to determine the committee action. His vote added to the democratic votes totals only five, so the Old Guard, with seven votes, would have a margin of two in the committee. Such a committee margin will absolutely determine under the rules the legislation to be brought upon the floor of the house and the special rules under which it will be considered.

The house may vote the rule up or down and so, too, the legislation. A union of democrats and all the progressive republicans can accomplish this, but they could do this without as well as with a member of the rules committee. Only to the extent to which his minority reports may prove important is Mr. Nelson's appointment of legislative value.

So, too, in the senate. It matters not who may be elected chairman of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce—Cummins, Couzens, Howell. The situation is that the Old Guard controls the majority of the committee and so can continue the practice of legislation so vigorously denounced by Senator La Follette.

Subjected to measurement by the yardstick of practical legislative accomplishments, these contests are fruitless. Only in the psychological effect of the noise of victory have they meant much to the progressives. Insurgent strategy forced the Old Guard leadership into a futile and foolish fight. Had this leadership possessed the foresight to grant the demands made of them with respect to these committee places without a fight, it would have lost nothing in legislative results, and would have deprived the progressives of a victory which, though legislatively empty, is psychologically important.

However, it should not be inferred that as a whole the insurrection had no significance. While the committee membership fights were negligible, because they did not change the organization majorities, the rules fight went to the roots of legislation, and should the rules be altered as demanded the course of legislation will have been rescued from partisan organization control often abused by the party in power.

Senator La Follette, in an editorial in his magazine, put the substantial objectives of the fight in a nutshell, as follows:

> The progressives * * * do not seek to control the vote of a single reactionary in respect to any of the measures they favor. They are not attempting to use their power to obtain disproportionate representation on committees of either the senate or the house nor the empty honor of chairmanships of committees "packed" against them. They do demand a right to introduce constructive, progressive legislation, to have that legislation fairly considered and reported to the senate and the house, there to be voted up or down in the presence of the American people, by a record vote.

By a record vote the senator refers to the roll call. It is based on the theory that if a member's vote is recorded so his constituents know his position, he will select that position much more carefully with relation to their interests.

Jules Verne

RECENT marriage in Paris of a niece of Jules Verne, the great French imaginative writer, started us thinking about his fantastic scientific novels. Especially "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea."

People frequently marvel that Verne, born in 1828, was able to picture the perfected submarine boat of modern times.

As a matter of fact, there were submarine boats long before Jules Verne was born. In the Revolutionary war some clever Yankees built a submarine operated by oars that worked in waterproof sockets. At the front was a window. Hanging near it, outside, was an explosive mine.

The Yankees managed to get this submarine out near a British frigate. One of the crew, inside, with his arms thrust out through two close-fitting openings in the front of the boat, tried to screw the mine to the side of the frigate. The mine got loose, rose to the surface and exploded, scaring the frigate crew half to death.

Those early submarines, of course, were very crude. But the idea was there, and all Jules Verne had to do was imagine the idea in perfected form. Admittedly, that was a tremendous and admirable feat of the imagination. But it wasn't as if Verne had nothing except thin air to draw from.

When he pictured, in fiction, the perfected submarine, people laughed at him—just as they laugh today at visionaries who are capable of conceiving the eventual general use of the airplane.

Santa Claus got arrested in Los Angeles, but not for parking his sled by a fire plug.

In Ye Olden Times

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

Elven Norbo, Cashton, has been granted a patent on a tobacco handling device, invented by himself.

Tillman brothers' furniture store has donated a load of children's toys to the Associated Charities for distribution among the city's poor children.

Charles Langhorst, foreman of the foundry at the Sta-Rite Engine company, has resigned his position to start in business for himself in Ohio. Mr. Langhorst was presented with a fine meerschaum pipe at a farewell party given by the foundry crew of the Sta-Rite last night.

Many friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edwards, 533 South Ninth street, last evening to help them celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards were married at Brownsville, Minn., December 23, 1863, shortly after Mr. Edwards returned from the war.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Schrank & Rowen, proprietors of the Merchants' Lunch Room, have closed a lease on the store room at present occupied by C. H. Sherman Cloak store on Main street. They will open a strictly first class cafe, a thing much needed in La Crosse. They will continue to operate the Merchants' Lunch Room.

A. Mekvold and A. Schultz are two 17-year-old local bowlers who have developed a marked degree of proficiency the past few months. They will likely enter the two-man team event of the state bowling tournament to be held in this city in January and will no doubt make a record for themselves and for the North Side Bowling league of which they are members. Mekvold's five-game average is 218 and Schultz's 223.

Normanna Saugerkor has elected these officers for next year: Theodore Dahl, president; O. J. Lunde, vice president; O. J. Anderson, secretary; L. Engaas, treasurer; Peter Peterson, librarian, and Emil Kriebel, trustee.

Last evening at his parsonage Rev. Vik united in marriage Mr. Frank Smith and Miss Clara Anderson. Mr. Smith is a brakeman on the Burlington and the couple will live in La Crosse.

THIRTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Ex-Senator and ex-alderman S. L. Nevins, for thirty years identified with the log and lumber interests of the Black and Chippewa rivers, will soon leave La Crosse for Chattanooga, Tenn., to join his daughter and the two will go south for the winter. Next spring Mr. Nevins will go to New York to make his home.

Oscar Houck, accompanied by Mr. Lomen of Spring Grove, Minn., has returned home to spend the holidays. Both are students at Minnesota University in the medical department.

Miss Eliesa Muhlber, teacher in the German Kindergarten, went to her home in St. Paul today to remain until March.

Henry and Alice Bunting returned home from the state university to spend the holidays.

The organization of the Security Savings bank with a capital of $50,000 was effected last night. Business will be begun by the new firm in the McMillan building about February 1. L. W. Foster is president; Hugo Schick, vice president; Edward R. Burke, second vice president; H. P. Magill, cashier; E. B. Nelson, assistant cashier. The directors are the above men and Dr. O. G. Winters. The new institution will probably absorb the insurance business of Magill and Burke.

Orchids For Mary

By CLARISSA MACKIE

"A box for you, Miss Mary," announced Nora from the open doorway of the living room.

"Ah, flowers?" asked Mary, a little breathlessly, because no man had ever sent her flowers before. Of course, Jimmy Lane had brought her violets now and then—Jimmy was sentimental about violets—but to receive a mysterious box like this—square and deep, lavender tinted and tied up with ribbon—a box bearing the magic name of the most expensive florist in town, that was almost like a dream. A sudden thought shattered the dream.

Perhaps Jimmy had sent the box!

Now she had lifted the cover, pulled aside the waxed paper and sighed with delight.

Orchids!

Of course Jimmy had not sent them! Her pulse quickened—who in her circle of friends would send her orchids? She, who was "almost engaged" to Jimmy Lane, could name no man who admired her enough to risk offending [illegible] "some unknown admirer," [illegible] Romance when she had [illegible] a card and found [illegible] gazing into the hearts [illegible] when the door opened [illegible] Jimmy unannounced as [illegible] full of paper and [illegible] Mary lifted her cheek [illegible] her smile was as love[illegible]

Jimmy saw the orchids stopped short and stared hard. "Orchids? Huh!"

"Aren't they lovely?"

"Beautiful."

"I shall wear them tonight."

"To the club dance?"

"Of course."

"Then you have changed your mind about going with me?"

"Why—why—" Mary's eyes sparkled. Why not make her faithful knight jealous? "Why do you ask that?" she ended.

"I brought violets for you to wear—some other man has sent orchids; if you wear his flowers I suppose you will go with him," explained James Lane doggedly.

"Oh, I never thought of that."

"Who sent the orchids?" he asked suspiciously.

"Must I tell, Jimmy?" she asked plaintively.

"Suit yourself."

"Then I won't—and I will put them away in water and——" she stopped short with the flowers in her hand. Jimmy had picked up the box cover and inside paper, and suddenly roared with laughter.

"Amusing, isn't it?" asked Mary crisply.

He turned sharply, his mirth gone. "Mary, will you tell me who sent you these flowers?" he asked gravely.

"I cannot tell you that, Jimmy," coldly (and it was the truth—she could not).

"May I guess?"

"If you can."

He pondered a moment. "John Flint," he hazarded.

"I am not acquainted with him."

"Walter Mann."

"He is engaged to my cousin May, I thought you knew that."

"Young Lawson—the pie-faced one?"

"Pooh," said Mary flushing at her own duplicity. Why not tell Jimmy that she did not know who her unknown admirer was? But no, it was a new experience this one of trying to make Jimmy jealous.

Mary left the room and returned presently with a vase of water into which she put the orchids. First she held them against the pale gray gown she was wearing and admired the effect of the delicate mauve tints touched with deep violet. Suddenly she thought of the violets. "Jimmy?" she asked.

"Didn't they come?"

"I thought you brought them with you—you always do."

"Not this time—had them sent from Ridder and Wid's. Ordered them this morning."

"Ridder and Wid's" she asked faintly.

He nodded. "I was there with Walter Mann, and sent them along. Well, I must get back to the office. What time shall I come for you tonight—or are you going to wear orchids?"

"I d-don't know," she faltered.

He looked down at her diminutive height from his six feet two, and his good-looking face whitened with anger. His gray eyes blazed.

"That is quite plain enough Mary; I surely do not mean to annoy you with my attentions. I expected that you would go with me because you had said that you would, but I will gladly yield to a more agreeable escort."

Mary—oh, so contrary—had lost her lovely color and looked like a marble cherub so white was she. Pride held her lips fast and her tongue, which could have so easily explained away all the misunderstanding was silent. In that moment she hated orchids, Jimmy and her unknown admirer.

"You have no right to forbid my accepting flowers from any other man," she said suddenly.

Jimmy stared at her with unfriendly eyes. "I merely asked his name."

"I cannot see that you are interested," said Mary wickedly.

"No? Then I am afraid that I have not made myself very clear," said Jimmy coldly. "May I not withdraw from the honor of taking you to the dance tonight? Thank you so much for—all—that you have been to me." He stumbled into the hall picked up his coat and fled from the house, appearing at his office in a horrible temper with every one.

Mary stared blankly at the closed door. What an idiot she had been. Merely to satisfy her own vanity—to make Jimmy think that some one was sending her orchids.

Why, she loved Jimmy Lane. The color flamed into her face now.

While she stood there, dazed, the door opened and her cousin May entered. She was a pretty dark-eyed girl, dressed for the street.

"Mary, dear, you have got my orchids, and I received your violets. I hope you don't mind my opening the little not inside. I only read one line when I discovered that it was from Jimmy; he wouldn't dare propose to me now that you engaged to Walter. Here I can dry the stems on my hanky, going to lunch with Walter and must wear his orchids. Good-by, my dear, and heaps of joy to you." She kissed Mary and flew away to meet her lover.

Mary went to the telephone and called Jimmy. "Please, Jimmy," she said in a quavering voice, "don't be angry. I have just ready our note, and is it too late to give you an answer?"

"Never too late if it is 'yes,'" muttered Jimmy.

"It is 'yes, yes, yes' confessed romantic Mary.

"And the orchids?"

"May wore them away, they were for her. It was a mistake."

And Jimmy never told her that he knew it all the time for he had been with Walter Mann when the flowers were ordered.

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A MATTER OF TASTE.

POINCARE SPEAKS AGAIN

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Danger of Clash With Foreign Troops Over Customs Averted

CANTON.—By The Associated Press.—The critical situation which has prevailed here for nearly two weeks as a result of the demand of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, South China leader for surplus customs revenue, is believed to have passed. Negotiations for settlement of the question are said to be progressing satisfactorily, and sailors from the French cruiser Jules Ferry, one of the flotilla of foreign warships concentrated in the harbor, have returned to Hong Kong.

It is hoped in official circles that the stage will soon be reached at which the vigilance of the foreign powers, represented in nearly a score of gunboats in the harbor, anchored off Shameen, the foreign section of the city, where the administrative officers of other nations are located, may be relaxed, and the foreign warships withdrawn.

The French sailors who already have left, recently landed at Shameen, and were stationed in the old French postoffice building, following Sun's threat to seize the customs to prevent their payment to the Peking government, which he opposes.

MAKES APPOINTMENTS

BISMARCK N. D.—Governor Nestos Thursday announced the reappointment of M. Beatrice Johnstone, county superintendent of Grand Forks county, as trustee of the state teachers' retirement fund to July 1, 1926, and the appointment of Mrs. J. N. Cary of Mandan and Mrs. Grace Grimes of Fargo delegates to the National Illiteracy conference at Washington, D. C. which takes place January 11 to 14.

WARMTH HINDERS LOGGING

BIRCHWOOD, Wis.—With exceptionally warm weather and no snow lumber companies operating in the timber districts near Birchwood are having a difficult time to move sawed timber from the forests to the railroad landings. The weather is too mild to permit iced roads for hauling logs.

ASSIGN RESERVE OFFICERS

WASHINGTON.—Nearly 2,000 reserve officers are being assigned to active units of the regular army by corps area commanders acting on war department instructions, the reservists to be called to duty only on event of war mobilization.

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Thus far the response to our offer promises a rich reward. Inquiries are pouring in from many states and a hundred posters are reported as ready for us from Chicago Academy of Fine Arts alone.

The committee has sent out the following conditions which must be met if posters are submitted.

Conditions

Fitness and originality of thought will be considered equal but not superior to technique.

The poster must be a black outline drawing with flat opaque colors requiring not more than four printings, including the key plate; unframed; proportions 11x14 when reproduced.

"Women's International League for Peace and Freedom" is to be placed on the poster, without incorporating it in the design.

Designs must be received by January 15, 1924, accompanied by sealed envelope containing name and address of the artist.

Address Miss Elizabeth Johnson, Chairman Art Committee, W. I. L., Pennsylvania Branch, 20 South Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Inasmuch as twenty-one countries are represented in the League, an expression is sought which shall be fundamentally human, and therefore international, rather than peculiar to any single nation, race, or creed.

Peace as creative energy is the idea which the League wishes to advance. Let Peace appear as a new form of force, force freed from slavery to war and bent upon the building up of order, beauty, truth.

The following phrases may suggest a few acceptable points of view, but the artist is of course, to be entirely free in the choice of a theme:

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Daniel Garber, Elizabeth Shippen Green, George Harding, Elisabeth Johnson, Rockwell Kent, Charles E. Klauder, Jessie Willcox Smith, Alice Barbour Stevens.

Society

MRS. SUSIE BRUCE left Monday for Madison, where she will spend Christmas with her son.

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MRS. T. B. LAWRENCE and Miss Bertha Lawrence left Monday for Richland Center for a holiday visit with Mrs. Lawrence's son and his family.

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MR. AND MRS. H. A. Gobel, 1127 South Seventh street, will have as their Christmas guests their daughter, Miss Elsie Gobel, who is attending the University of Chicago, and their son, William C. Gobel, who is a student at the law school of Marquette University.

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MRS. LILLIAN LOUISA BITZER, Miss Charlotte Grams and Miss Gussie Chase have returned from Whitewater, where they have been attending the Normal school.

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MISS ELLA AMBROSIUS, who is supervisor of music in the public schools at Deep River, Ia., is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ambrosius, for the holiday season.

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MR. AND MRS. Frank P. Hixon left Sunday night for Chicago to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glore, following which they will leave for Pasadena, Calif., where they will be present at the marriage of Mr. Hixon's niece, Miss Betty Hixon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hixon, in January.

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MISS AGATHA BRUGGER, who has been teaching at New Lisbon, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Marie Brugger, 631 Cass street.

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MR. AND MRS. HALE A. STOW and family, who recently moved here from Daggett, Mich., are located in the one hundred block on South Ninth street, and are pleased to again be residents of La Crosse.

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MR. AND MRS. CARL MILLER, 914 South Eleventh street, will have as their Christmas guests their children, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore G. Miller and daughters, Ruth and Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Miller and daughters, Genevieve and Betty Jane, of this city, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Miller and children, Florence and Harry, of Hokah, and Miss Anna Miller of Rochester, Minn.

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MR. AND MRS. T. J. SCHOMERS, 1402 George street, have gone to Chicago to spend Christmas with their son, C. E. Silloway.

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THOMAS McDONOUGH, a supervisor of physical education in Milwaukee schools, is spending the Christmas holidays in the city visiting with friends and relatives.

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LINCOLN SCHICK is spending the holidays at his home here. He is a student at the University of Illinois.

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THE GIRLS' club of the Bethel Lutheran church will hold its regular meeting Friday evening at the home of O. H. Mikkelberg, 1832 Liberty street. Every member is urged to be present.

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MR. AND MRS. Edward Berg, 1340 Avon street, entertained a few friends Friday night at a Christmas party. Those present were Misses Lucille Farrell, Sylvia Smith, Paula Vernus, Martha Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Fatt Fettes and Mrs. Walter Withey. The evening was enjoyed with various stunts and ehe evening's pleasure closed with the appearance of Santa Claus, who presented each guest with a souvenir of the occasion.

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MR. AND MRS. A. L. Strum of Terre Haute, Ind., and Mr. Arthur C. Denney of Appleton, Wis., are the Christmas guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Denney, 1221 Johnson street.

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MR. AND MRS. C. W. Whiting, 308 North Eighth street, are entertaining as Christmas guests their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whiting and little son, Junior, of Fargo, N. D., and their daughter, Miss Eleanor Whiting of Minneapolis.

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MR. AND MRS. Edwin Noel of Spring Grove, Minn., are guests of the parents of the latter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whiting.

GIRL RESERVE PARTIES AT "Y" FOR HOLIDAYS

Girl Reserves Give Two Christmas Parties at the Y. W. C. A.

One hundred and twenty girls filled the "Y" to overflowing Friday night, the occasion being the annual Christmas party for the grade school Girl Reserves. A program was given in the gym at 7:30. Each group had prepared a number of the program, consequently most of the numbers were a surprise to everybody.

The Logan girls presented an original Christmas play written by Opal Schroeder of the Logan junior high. The Lincoln-Hogan corps dramatized a scene from "Bird's Christmas Carol," in which Mrs. Ruggles drills her nine children in manners, in preparation for the Birds' Christmas party to which they have been invited. Beatrice Furber, as Mrs. Ruggles, deserves especial credit for very good impersonation. The Hamilton girls presented "The Crying Family," a family who found something to cry about in every month of the year until Santa Claus showed them their mistake. The Washington girls impersonated toys in Santa Claus' work shop on the night before Christmas. "St. Nick" was the name of the play given by the Washburn group. Martha Fletcher as a new-fashioned St. Nicholas, in dress-suit and silk hat, proved far less popular than the good old-fashioned Santa Claus, who proved to be no other than Clara Schroeder.

On Saturday night the high school vocational girls had their party. The Logan junior girls had as their stunt "A Christmas Program in a Country School." Eleanor Redland was the "school-ma'am" and Mary Coughlin, Winifred Ranger and Ivernia were the visiting school-board members who examined the children. The rest of the group were the school children. The Central high school group presented the following stunts: "The Balcony Scene from Romeo and Juliet," "A Ford Stunt," a parody on the "Night Before Christmas," by Loretta Panke, and two dances by Marguerite Mosser and Muriel Schneeberger.

At the close of the programs on both Friday and Saturday, a banquet was served to the girls in the downstairs rooms. The tables were beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and red candles. The favors were gum-drop "spark-plugs." At the close of the banquet, Christmas carols were sung.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
To my old friends, loyal and true; to my valued new friends—and to those whose friendship I strive to deserve—I heartily wish unmeasured happiness and good fortune throughout the coming year.
I deeply appreciate all the favors received and seek to merit your continued confidence.
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Local News

Mrs. A. B. Goodenough, 319 Cass street, is ill at St. Francis hospital.

No roller skating Tuesday night. G. G. Rink.

Supervisor Markle, town of Shelby, was a caller at the courthouse on Monday.

For good shoe repairing, see Emil, 509 Logan St.

Nic Clements, treasurer of the town of Greenfield, was a visitor in the city on Monday.

The Tea Room will serve dinner on Christmas both noon and evening.

Walter Mueller, who has been making his home in California, is visiting relatives in the city.

Christmas wreaths; see our large displays at the Flower Market, Majestic theatre alley.

Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Keppel of Holmen were in the city on Monday.

Ask Fourth Building Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Costley of Davenport, Iowa, are visiting their parents, Sheriff and Mrs. B. J. Lund and Mr. and Mrs John Costley, during the Christmas holidays.

Collections, Insurance, Loans. L. B. Omerberg, Rivoli Bldg.

Motion days will be held in circuit court on December 29 and January 5, according to Clerk L. Klecher.

Notice to our patrons. Standard Oil service stations close at noon Christmas day.

Mrs. G. P. Dubraks of Dubuque is visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Dubraks.

No roller skating Tuesday night. G. G. Rink.

Miss Geniere McMahon of Madison is here to spend the holidays with her parents at 1231 Market street.

Stoddard Hotel, Christmas dinner 12 to 1:30 o'clock. Reserve your table.

Mr. Harold Butterfield of St. Louis is here to spend the holidays.

Meyers' Good Health Institute, steam baths, massage, electrotheraphic, chiropractic, diatetics. 122 So. 10th St. Phone 407.

D. W. MacWillie left for a visit in Duluth.

Dancing lessons, every day, any hour, all ages, at Eagles' hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sweizer and daughter left today for Wauwautosa.

Columbia records. Weis book store.

H. K. Holley left this noon for Milwaukee.

The Flower Market. Majestic theatre alley.

C. C. Harrington leaves tonight for Milwaukee.

The Flower Market. Majestic theatre alley.

Miss Clara Janecek, who was run down by an automobile at the intersection of Sixth and Cass streets on Friday evening, is reported doing nicely. Although she is still in a serious condition and is still confined to the hospital, her condition is improving.

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A. C. Abrahamson is visiting with relatives at Houston.

Geo. B. Rose, Inc., for Xmas cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Husmann of Nodine visited in the city on Saturday.

Phone 179 before 6 p. m. for baggage calls. Gateway City Transfer Co.

Mrs. C. Beranek, Mrs. J. Olt, Margaret and Andrew Ort left for Elk River, Minn., to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Van Ludvik, formerly of La Crosse.

La Fortuna cigars—for Christmas. "That good La Crosse union made."

Miss Abbie L. Becker, 226 South Fifth street, leaves today for Minneapolis, where she will spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. S. N. Bester, and family.

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James Lee, negro, transient, charged with stealing combs and brushes valued at $10 from the drug store of G. A. Bierner, was sentenced to 40 days in jail by Judge Brindley.

Telephone Bills must be paid by the 25th of the current month to obtain the 25 cent discount.

A daughter was born on December 20 to Mr. and Mrs. H. Heintz, 420 Avon street.

We wire Christmas flowers to any part of the United States and Canada through our 3000 F. T. D. branch stores; guaranteed service. The Flower Market, Majestic theatre alley.

Mrs. J. R. Martin has left for Utica, N. Y., to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cordell of Chambersburg, Pa., arrived this morning to spend the holidays with relatives and friends. They will stay two weeks. Mrs. Cordell was formerly Mrs. Grace Secor of this city.

Harry and Orlando Schultz drove from Chicago to spend Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Charles Butler, 808 South Fifth street. They left Chicago shortly after 6 o'clock Friday evening, arriving home at 10 o'clock Saturday forenoon.

Four women, one for each of four districts created in Wisconsin, are to be appointed by the state board of control to have charge of Wisconsin juvenile welfare work. La Crosse county will be in the fourth district. Examinations for the positions will be given by the state civil service commission.

C. E. Butler attended a salesman's meeting in Milwaukee Saturday. His territory has been doubled for the coming year.

Miss Georgia Holmes of Minneapolis, is spending Christmas at the home of her mother, Mrs. G. N. Holmes, and brother, Walter, at 903 State St.

ANOTHER GIRL BEAR-KILLER

Miss Doris Green, an accountant at Auburn, Me., has qualified as a big game hunter by bringing down a 200-pound bear in the Maine woods. A single shot from her rifle finished the bruin. Miss Green does her hunting in one of the greatest bear territories in Maine.

Jumbo Peanuts—we roast them just right. Bodega club.

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and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
John C. Burns Fruit House

IF YOU WANT GOOD CANDY
THEN GET IT AT
HOESCHLER'S

Merry Christmas
And BEST WISHES for THE NEW YEAR.
PITZNER'S—DYERS, CLEANERS

When blows the wintry wind
May thy restless spirit find
Peace and Joy of Christmastide
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Values to $7.00	Values to $12.00	Values to $20.00
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AVALANCHES CAUSE OF BIG DAMAGES IN SWISS HOSPITALS

Hotels and T. B. Resorts are Injured by Slides; One is Buried

PARIS.—Avalanches are reported from many points in Switzerland and in the Pyrenees.

Three snowslides occurred within a few hours of each other and did considerable damage around the hotel at Laysin, Switzerland. Several of the open air clinics for lung patients were damaged and some of the Sisters of Mercy were injured. Several chalets were carried off.

An avalanche near Chambery buried a man. The garage of the military hospital was damaged by the slide.

The snow which covered the Paris district had disappeared today in the wake of damp weather, with a drizzling rain still falling.

RIVOLI FEATURES GOOD HOLIDAY ACTS OF VAUDEVILLE

Snappy laugh provoking acts were presented at the Rivoli theater yesterday with the picture, "Rouged Lips" and will continue for the first half of Christmas week. The bill was headed with the appearance of Donahue and LaSalle in a novel offering of "Odds and Ends." The act consisted of many bits of entertainment. The man is exceptionally versatile and offers a routine of acrobatic acts. His assistant, a young lady, is a contortionist.

The Three Senators kept the patrons of the theater in a continuous round of laughter. Comedy chatter that was filled with real humor featured their number. The Senators also possessed exceptional singing voices and entertained with a number of songs.

Ray and Catto scored a big hit in their number, "Well I Don't Care." They manufactured laughs at the rate of two a minute and their line of talk was absolutely new on the vaudeville stage. Song numbers completed their act.

Thrills galore were experienced during the act of Espe and Dutton. The two young men are polished entertainers and jugglers of the highest order. Their stunts were original and were performed with grace. Comedy chatter between stunts kept the audience in an uproar the whole time.

MAY PASS LAW TO MAKE OFFICIALS TRAVEL AMERICAN

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would be beneficial to the American passenger business as a whole.

Foreign Lines Eager

Again and again since the United States shipping board has engaged in the passenger business prominent Americans have taken passage on foreign ships even though American vessels like the Leviathan or the George Washington were leaving on the same day. It is said that in many cases the foreign lines have offered to these prominent Americans special inducements, not necessarily in the matter of rate, but in the choice of accommodations. Then when the passenger lists are published these companies have the benefit of the prestige that accrues from such patronage.

The American Bar association is an important institution and it is no small feather in the cap of the foreign steamship line that can land the business of transporting the bar association's members. While it is contended on the one hand that the shipping board wasn't approached in the matter of accommodations and this is denied by the bar association's representatives, the truth probably lies in the question of what accommodations could be secured and what inducements were offered.

Government in Business

The episode illustrates what the government is up against in the shipping business. Methods that are natural in private business are not always used by the government in handling its affairs. Already, for instance, congress is bestirring itself over the matter of salaries to be paid to executives of the shipping board yet in the case of private companies they have no such restraint placed upon them when they want to hire men of brains and ingenuity and special training.

It's the old story as between government operation and private operation. The inefficiencies of the former are no longer denied but since the government doesn't want to sell its ships at ridiculous prices and stand a heavy loss, the inevitable alternative is government operation for a few years at least.

Inside of Row

As for government operation it is at the moment in worse condition than it has been since the war. The shipping board is at sixes and sevens. The chairman of the board who was appointed during the recess of congress is having difficulty getting his nomination confirmed by the senate, chiefly because he wouldn't toady to congress and to some extent because he wouldn't give away the American merchant fleet at bargain prices to private concerns and disadvantageous to the government. President Coolidge has let it be known to the newspapers that he doesn't resent the action of the senate, but it isn't discreet for him to appear resentful, however piqued he may really feel. The defeat of Mr. Farley for confirmation is the first blow at the prestige of the president in congress and Mr. Coolidge has about decided that he had better bow to the will of the senators and appoint a new chairman. All this means lost motion in the shipping board, more reorganization and more delays in getting the government fleet on a competitive basis with foreign steamship lines.

DAILY MARKETS

LIBERTY BONDS

NEW YORK.—Liberty bonds at 1 p. m.: 3½s, 99.17; first 4¼s, 98.9; second 4¼s, 98.6; third 4¼s, 99.9; fourth 4¼s, 98.9; United States government 4¾s, 99.10.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK—Stock prices displayed a firm tone at the opening of today's market, oil and sugar shares were again on the demand as were a number of recently strong specialties such as National Lead and General Cigar, each of which advanced one point to a new high record for the year. Marland and American Metals advanced 1¼ each.

Pre-holiday dullness characterized the early dealings. National Lead extended its rise to 4¼ points and General Cigar to 3½, while Willys-Overland preferred, Computing, Tabulating and Recording and American Radiator each advanced about 1½ points, all at new 1923 highs. Schulte, Davison Chemical, Corn Products, Houston Oil, and Famous Players, also climbed a point or more. United Railways investment preferred dropped 1¾. New Orleans, Texas and Mexico 1⅝ and Tobacco Products and Central Leather preferred one each. Foreign exchanges opened irregular.

Buying and selling of specialties featured the morning session standard industrial and railroad stocks showing little or no change on a small volume of trading. Oil, motor, merchandising, tobacco and food shares gave the best demonstrations of group strength, buying being based on favorable trade news, report of high current earnings and speculative anticipation of special dividend distribution. Corn Products, Computing, Tabulating and Recording and Cluett-Peabody each extended their early gains to 2½. Special weakness cropped out in Omaha and Northwestern common and preferred, and American Sugar Refining pfd. All selling at their lowest prices of the year. Call money opened at 4¾ percent.

The closing was strong. Several stocks moved up sharply in the late dealings, especially Mesch Nut Packing, Hide and Leather pfd. American Woolen, Continental Can, General Electric and United States Cast Iron Pipe, all of which sold two or more points above Saturday's closing levels. Sales approximated 750,000 shares.

Kelly-Springfield Tire	22⅛
Kennecott Copper	33½
Lima Locomotive	66½
Louisville and Nashville	88½
Mack Truck	89⅝
Marland Oil	8⅞
Middle States Oil	7
Missouri, Kan. and Tex. (new)	11½
Missouri Pacific, pfd	27⅞
Norfolk and Western	102¾
Northern Pacific	51¾
Pacific Oil	49⅝
Pan American Petroleum "B"	61
Pennsylvania	41⅛
People's Gas, bid	67
Producers and Refiners	22⅝
Pure Oil	21¾
Reading	76⅝
Republic Iron and Steel	48¾
Sears Roebuck	87⅛
Simms Petr. Oil	26½
Southern Pacific	85⅞
Southern Railway	36⅞
Standard Oil of N. J.	47⅞
Studebaker Corporation	106⅝
Texas Co.	43
Texas and Pacific	19¾
Tobacco Products "A"	91
Transcontinental Oil	8⅞
Union Pacific	132⅞
United Retail Stores	27¾
U. S. Ind. Alcohol	65¾
United States Steel	95
Utah Copper	61
Westinghouse Electric	60⅝
Willys-Overland	19⅛
American Agri.	113¾
Nevada Con.	11⅝
Ray Con.	11⅜
White Eagle Oil	26
Allied Chemical and Dye	70⅝
American Can	100⅝
American Car and Foundry, bid	186
American International Corp.	22⅛
American Locomotive	70½
American Smelting and Ref'g	57½
American Sugar	55⅞
American T. and T.	125
American Tobacco, bid	149
American Woolen	73⅞
Anaconda Copper	36¾
Atchison	96½
Atl., Gulf and W. Indies	17½
Baldwin Locomotive	124⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	58¼
Bethlehem Steel	51¾
California Petroleum	26⅛
Canadian Pacific	145½
Central Leather	12½
Cerro de Pasco Copper	45¾
Chandler Motors	60¾
Chesapeake and Ohio	70½
Chicago and Northwestern	48¾
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul, pfd.	23¾
Chicago, R. I. and Pac.	21¾
Chile Copper	27½
China Copper	17⅛
Consolidated Gas	80½
Corn Products	167½
Cosden Oil	35⅞
Crucible Steel	64
Cuba Cane Sugar, pfd.	64¾
Erie	21¾
Famous Players-Lasky	70⅛
General Asphalt	42⅝
General Electric	194½
General Motors	14⅞
Great Northern, pfd.	59
Gulf States Steel	83½
Illinois Central	101½
Inspiration Copper	24½
International Harvester, ex. div.	76¾
Int. Mer. Marine, pfd.	29½
International Paper	39¼
Invincible Oil	15⅜

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

CHICAGO, Ill.—Wheat went down in price today almost as soon as the market opened. Sentiment appeared generally bearish, and it was contended in various quarters that the market was headed for a competitive basis with other countries. Some houses friendly to the bull side advised that for a while it would be good policy to defer buying. After opening ¾c off to ⅛c advance, May $1.06½ to $1.06⅝ and July $1.05⅛, prices underwent a moderate setback all around.

Later the market held within narrow limits, and most traders showed a disposition to keep close to shore. The finish was unsettled at ¼ to ⅜c net decline, May $1.06⅛ to $1.05¾ and July $1.04⅞.

Selling on the part of country houses made the corn market heavy. Some professional speculators were also on the selling side, and receipts here were liberal. The opening, which varied from unchanged figures to ⅝c lower, May 27⅞ to 73c, was followed by a general decline, with December off nearly one cent a bushel.

Subsequently sales of corn to go to store here tended to prevent any decided rally. The close was weak, ⅝ to ⅞c net lower, May 73½ to 72⅝c.

Oats were a little easier, sympathy with corn and wheat starting at ¼c off to a shade advance, May 44⅝c, and later showing losses on all deliveries.

Upturns in the value of hogs gave a lift to provisions.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Ill.—United States Department of Agriculture.—Hogs.—Receipts, 35,000; fairly active to shippers, traders and small packers; mostly 25c higher; light light and pigs, 25c to 50c higher; big packers buying sparingly, 10 to 20c higher; run mostly out of first hands; bulk desirable 240 to 300 lb. butchers $7.15 to $7.25; top $7.25; 190 to 225 lb averages, $6.90 to $7.10; 150 to 175-lb averages, mostly $6.60 to $6.50; heavyweight hogs, $7.00 to $7.25; medium, $6.90 to $7.25; light $6.70 to $7.10; light light, $6.50 to $6.85; packing sows smooth, $6.50 to $6.75; packing sows rough, $6.25 to $6.50; slaughter pigs, $6.25 to $6.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 6,000; active, killing classes unevenly higher; fed steers suitable for shipper outlet mostly 25 to 50c up; matured kind fed 100 to 160 days predominating; top matured steers $10.90; weight, 1,480 lbs.; numerous strings, $5.30 to $10.75; plainer kind, $7.50 to $8.50; yearlings scarce; choice kind absent; she stock strong to 25c higher; canners upward to $3.00 few higher; canners upward to $3.00 few light kind below, $2.50; balogna bulls sharing advance on she stock; bulk balognas, $4.25 to $4.65, plainer sausage bulls, $3.65 to $4.00; rough heavy beef bulls rather slow; vealers largely 25 to 50c higher; sorts considered; bulk to packers, $9.00 to $9.50; several lots upward to $10.60; outsiders paying upward to $10.50; country demand for stockers and feeders seasonably slow; supply of fresh receipts scarce, strong; spots higher.

Sheep—Receipts, 9,000; active; fact lambs, 25 to 40c higher; sharp strong; bulk fat wooled lambs early, $13.00 to $13.55; top to city butchers, 13.60; recently shorn lambs, $11.50; yearling wethers, $11.00; choice light weight ewes, $7.50.

CHICAGO GRAIN RANGE

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec.	101⅝	101½	100⅝	101⅛
May	106¼	106⅝	105⅞	106½
July	105⅛	105⅝	104½	104⅞
CORN—				
Dec.	69½	69⅝	68⅞	69
May	72⅝	73	72½	72⅛
July	74	74⅛	73⅝	73⅝
OATS—				
Dec.	41¼	41¼	41⅛	41⅛
May	44⅝	44⅝	44½	44½
July	42¼	42¼	42⅛	42⅛
LARD—				
Jan.	12.15	12.20	12.15	12.20
May	12.20	12.22	12.20	12.22
RIBS—				
Jan.	----	----	----	9.57
May	----	----	----	9.75

CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO, Ill.—Wheat—No. 3 red $1.05; No. 2 hard $1.03 to $1.05⅛.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, 70¼ to 70¾c; No. 2 yellow, 71c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 43¼ to 44c; No. 3 white, 42½ to 43c.

Rye—No. 3, 68½c.

Barley—58 to 72c.

Timothyseed—$3.50 to $8.00.

Cloverseed—$12.00 to $21.75.

Lard—$12.80.

Ribs—Sixty-pound average, $9.75.

CHICAGO PRODUCE

CHICAGO, Ill.—Butter—Higher; receipts, 8,251 tubs; creamery extras, 53½c; standards, 50c; extra firsts, 50c to 52½c; firsts, 44½ to 47½c; seconds, 43 to 43½c.

Cheese—Unsettled; twins, 21c to 21¼c; twin daisies, 21¼c to 21½c; single daisies, 21¾c to 22c; Americas, 22¼c to 23c; longhorns, 22½c to 23c; brick, 21c to 21c.

Eggs—Higher; receipts, 5,082 cases; firsts, 40c; ordinary firsts, 32c to 36c.

Poultry—Alive, unchanged; fowls, 13c to 19c; springs, 18¼c; roosters, 12½c; geese, 16c; turkeys, 24c.

POTATOES

MADISON, Wis.—United States Bureau Markets—At Waupaca, Wis., practically no wire inquiry, practically no haulings, practically no demand and movement, market steady. Car lots, delivered, freight only deducted, round whites United States grade No. 1, very few sales at 80c to 85c; warehouse cash to growers bulk round whites, U. S. grade No. 1, 55c, mostly 50c to 55c. Wisconsin shipped 29 cars.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Steady; receipts, 33 cars; total United States shipments, 632; Wisconsin sacked round white, U. S. No. 1, 95c to $1.10; bulk, $1.00 to $1.20; Minnesota and North Dakota sacked Red River Ohios, U. S. No. 1 and partly graded, $1.15.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Wheat—Receipts, 468 cars; holiday a year ago; cash, No. 1 northern, $1.07¼ to $1.16¼; No. 1 dark northern, spring, choice to fancy, $1.14¼ to $1.18¼; choice to fancy, $1.14¼ to $1.18¼; good to choice, $1.10¼ to $1.13¼; ordinary to good, $1.08¼ to $1.10¼; December $1.05¾; May $1.09¼; July $1.10¼.

Corn—No. 3 yellow, 68 to 68¼c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 38¼ to 38¾c.

Barley—47 to 60c.

Rye—No. 2, 65¾c.

Flax—No. 1, $2.41 to $2.44.

MINNEAPOLIS FLOUR

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Flour—Unchanged; in carload lots Family Patents quoted at $6.05 to $6.30 a barrel in 98-lb. cotton sacks. Shipments 43,037 bbls.

Bran—$25.50 to $27.00.

SPIKA FAMILY DEFEATS MIX-UPS IN MATCH SUNDAY

The Spika family, rolling 2797, defeated the "Mix-ups in a match at the Arcade alleys Sunday. The "Mix-ups" turned in 2364.

The Spikas overlapped one team, another one, C. Spika bowling with the "Mix-ups."

The scores:

SPIKA FAMILY			
R. Spika	211	230	215
Geo. Spika	167	160	168
Gust Spika	135	162	185
Frank Spika	207	184	176
Adolph Spika	191	184	199
Handicap	26	19	28
Totals	937	930	921
MIX-UPS			
J. Jirsa	156	149	167
M. Werel	164	171	162
C. Spika	153	128	121
B. Wsetecka	115	143	160
Pete Wais	182	175	187
Handicap	50	59	50
Totals	861	825	847

YE GOOD OLD SAINT NICK

By BERTON BRALEY

WE hear ye jingle of ye sleigh,
And gladly in our toil we pause
To welcome on thys Christmas Day
Ye fat and jollie Santa Claus:
He cometh down ye sootie flue
To humble cot or lordly hall
And singeth out hys loud halloo,
"A Merrie Christ mas to You All."

HYS smile is broad, hys heart is warm,
He bringeth funne and right good cheer,
And he there calm or be there storm,
He cometh surely once a year.
And in our hearts he lights a glow,
Beneath hys magick spell we fall,
Till we, too, greet both high and low
Wyth "Merrie Christmas to You All."

THYS day he rules the world, hys laws
Are laws of love and peace and mirth;
Ah, would thatte gentle Santa Claus
Might ever govern on the earth!
Yette are we grateful thatte he brings
One Day of Joy for Great and Small,
One day when all ye planet rings
Wyth "Merrie Christmas to You All!"

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REPUBLICANS MAY HAVE A CHANCE TO RULE GREEK STATE

Coalition May Follow if Venizelos Refuses to Accept Bid Home

ATHENS.—By The Associated Press.—In the event that former Premier Venizelos returns a negative reply to the request of the council of ministers that he return to Greece, the republicans suggest that a coalition government be formed, to be composed of the four leading parties—teh republicans, the liberals, the republican-liberals and the refugee group headed by Dr. Doxiades, minister of public relief.

George Roussos, former Greek minister at Washington and now chief of the republican—liberals, is one of the several political leaders favoring the coalition. However, many of the leading liberals oppose such a step, preferring to allow the republicans to have their fling at the difficult task of governing Greece. The feeling at present is that the republicans are sure to be quickly discredited and that the people will be obliged to call the liberals to power.

Former Prime Minister Venizelos has telegraphed from Paris to Colonel Plastiras of the revolutionary committee requesting information as to the relative strength of the contending parties in Greece, it was announced Monday.

The former premier's request follows the sending the last week of an invitation to him to return to Greece and take the political situation in hand, without any restrictions on his liberty of action. The invitation was sent by the revolutionary committee at the request of the council of ministers.

MUSIC PROGRAM AT ST. MARY'S FOR MIDNIGHT MASS

Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic church Christmas Eve at midnight and on Christmas morning at 8 o'clock, 8:30, 9:30 and 10. At midnight a violin solo, Benedictus, will be given by Mrs. William Shorna Daley. At 8 o'clock the children's choir will sing. High Mass will be celebrated at midnight and 8 o'clock. The choir will sing Marzo's Mass., G. Mrs. J. H. Murch will preside at the organ and Mrs. Leo V. Simones will be the soloist. The sopranos will be Miss Mary Beranek, Miss Helen Vesey, Miss Kathrine Lyons Mrs. William Bonadurer and Mrs. Frank Kinney; the altos will be Miss Dorothy Rothaupt and Miss Marion Welch; the tenors will be Messrs. Bernard Volz and Arthur McMahon; the baritone Mr. John Walter and bass Mr. George Howe. Rev. Dr. Robert Condon will be the celebrant of the midnight mass; and Rev. Eugene Rodge, S. J. of St. Savior's College at Cincinnati will be the celebrant of the 10 o'clock mass and will preach the sermon.

Figuring coal at $10 a tone, Canada is now saving $270,000,000 with its present waterpower development.

MORE FARM STUFF IMPORTED THAN IS SENT FROM U. S.

Decrease in Farm Prices Makes Difference According to Federal Officials

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Imports of agricultural products exceeded exports last year probably for the first time in history, the difference amounting to $388,000,000, as compared with a $474,000,000 excess in the value of exports over imports in the previous year.

The shift of the balance in trade in agricultural produces in favor of foreign countries was attributed by the department of agriculture today chiefly to an increased value of imports and a decrease in the value of exports. Imports, including forest products, totalled $2,315,000,000 last year or $780,000,000 more than in the previous year, while exports aggregated $1,927,000,000, a decrease of $82,000,000.

Imports of silk were valued at $414,000,000; sugar, $369,000,000; coffee, $182,000,000; crude rubber, $169,000,000 and wool, $167,000,000. Wheat exports were valued at $102,000,000, as compared with $28,000,000 the preceding year, and corn $75,000,000, compared with $116,000,000. Pork and cotton exports show material increases in value over the preceding year, but they are counter-balanced by the decrease in tobacco, sugar and other products.

OBITUARY

EDWARD MARTIN

Engineer Edward Martin of the La Crosse division of C. M. and St. P. railroad died at a Madison hospital Friday. The body was taken to Milwaukee Sunday afternoon where the funeral took place. Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Edward Martin. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

ADAM THUM

Adam Thum, son of Mrs. Catherine Thum, 1306 South Eleventh street, died Sunday evening at a local hospital after two weeks illness with pneumonia.

He is survived by his mother, four sisters, and one brother, his father having preceded him in death six weeks ago.

Funeral services will be held at nine o'clock on Wednesday from the Holy Trinity Catholic church, Rev. Jos. Riesterer officiating. Interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery. Friends may pay their last respects on Wednesday morning from 7:30 until 8:45 o'clock.

W. G. JONES

The funeral of W. G. Jones will be held Wednesday at 1:30 from the home, 503 South Ninth street, and at 2 o'clock from the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Jones was born December 5, 1856. He was married February 25, 1887. He operated a baggage and dray line in this city for 20 years.

Surviving are the widow and seven children, Mrs. V. Helliwell, Chicago; Mrs. Ed Olson, International Falls, Minn.; Mrs. Ed Parkenham, Escanaba, Mich.; Mrs. Frank Kepple, La Crosse; Clyde G. Jones, Chicago; Edward H. Jones and Willis F. Jones, La Crosse.

Mr. Jones was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

Willis Jones will operate the dray business started by his father.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following deeds have been recorded with Register of Deeds Fachs:

R. W. and Ida H. Weiss to Stephen and Petrona Bicha, for one dollar, part of the ne. ¼ of the nw.¼, Section 8, Township 16, North of Range 7 west, at 12th and Denton streets.

Harry and Alta Peaslee and Frederick Peaslee to Della Shaw, for $200, Lot 15, Block 11, St. Paul's Second addition.

Dominic and Minerva Yeager to Harold S. Call, Lot 3, Block 2, S. W. Anderson's second addition.

Policies to be paid as life insurance as a result of the Japanese earthquake will total $25,000,000.

MAN SENT UP BY PROSECUTOR OFFERS BLOOD TO SAVE HIM

PARIS.—A man named L. Rappell, who said Thomas Lee Woolwine, former district attorney of Los Angeles, Cal., had sent him to prison, called at the hotel here where Mr. Woolwine is ill, and offered to give a pint of blood to the man who once prosecuted him. Rappell's offer, however, was not accepted, as the doctors had already decided to take the blood from the little hotel maid who attends the Woolwine family.

She was one of several volunteers.

LIST OF INVOLVED IN CAPITAL HOOCH PLOT IS A MYSTERY

Who's Who Concealed as Police and Dry Agents Swap the Buck

WASHINGTON. — With the mystery of the whereabouts of the list of 2,500 names reported seized during the round-up of alleged members of a local bootlegging syndicate growing deeper, investigators are said to be working on information which they describe as pointing to the involvement of one or more bankers in the financing of the enterprise.

The list of alleged purchasers, however, remained the chief points of interest in the investigation as far as residents of the capital were concerned, many of whom felt more competent to enjoy the holidays after reading this morning's newspapers.

The anti-saloon league and the association against the prohibition amendment, among other agencies, were demanding publication of the names and Assistant District Attorney Pressmont had announced he would submit them to the grand jury for possible indictments on conspiracy charges, but police insisted they had turned over all evidence seized in the raid to internal revenue bureau investigators, and the latter insisted they were not in possession of the list.

PEA GROWERS OF STATE ORGANIZE CO-OPERATIVELY

Two pea growers co-operative associations have recently been organized in this vicinity, one at Galesville and another at Onalaska. The Galesville association was formed about two months ago and has already been incorporated. The Onalaska association has been in operation for only one month and will soon become affiliated with the state organization. The Onalaska association at present has approximately fifty members.

Co-operative pea growers associations are being organized throughout the state and it is expected that soon every pea canning factory in Wisconsin will have a pea growers association connected with it. All associations which have already been organized boast of nearly 100 per cent membership, almost every grower who supplies peas to the factories having become a member.

SURPRISES MOST DELIGHTFUL ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Rev. C. R. Shaver Tells of Joys of Religion Exemplified on Holiday

"Of the varied delights at the Christmas season, perhaps the surprise element adds the most distinctive and satisfying quality. It is the unexpected present of which we think the most. It is the unanticipated invitation which quickens our special interest; the letter in the unknown handwriting which is first taken from the morning mail," said Reverend Claude Shaver, in his morning discourse at First Presbyterian church on Sunday. Continuing, he said in part:

"While this surprise element seems modern and secular, yet it always has been characteristic of this Christian festival. And, while we encourage and seek it in all our social relations, we are inclined to overlook it in the higher associations of religion; which also should be a part of our Christmas thinking. It is of these abiding heavenly surprises which were conspicuous on the first Yuletide morning, that we need to be reminded in these busy and strenuous days. Indeed, it is these recognized, yet overlooked, facts that have inspired such hymns as 'Joy to the World,' and 'Holy night.'

"There was that first outstanding but surprising fact—that heaven could communicate directly with earth. Although the shepherds and wise men accepted it and found peace; yet the ancient heathen philosophers, and some recent thinkers of limited vision, have said that it could not be. The Greeks tried to reconcile and compromise this necessary truth by allowing for a long series of 'emanations' through 'eons' of time; while the 'wise' man of today is so busy writing his skepticism for magazine publishers and book sellers that he has not tried to explain the whole problem. He knows that even evolution has its Christian implications; when it looks above mere animal existence.

"On the other hand, thoughtful scientific minds are seeing in the 'modern miracle' of the radio some unbounded possibilities, which quicken faith and encourage expectancy in the finer ozone of the spiritual life. It was this 'light that lighteth every man' which first awakened such hopes—when He encouraged mankind to look above sin and selfishness to the quality and fullness of life which He alone was revealing.

"Thus did Jesus surprise the world (and especially the conceited Pharisees of His day) by showing that they were not yet living fully and that the infinite Father had larger and nobler realms of being yet to be developed."

MARRIAGE LICENSES

The following marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk Staats:

Elmer C. Gustafson of La Crosse and Lillian L. Holley of Holmen.

Grant W. Hammersberg of Milwaukee and Doris M. Outcelt of La Crosse.

Adell Mosher and Macnora Hartley of La Crosse.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
To Our Customers and Friends
WM. F. STRAUSS
320 Pearl St. Shoes of Quality.

We Extend to All the Season's Most Cordial Greetings.
Schultz Dry Cleaning Shop
118 So. 5th St. Phone 1351-A.

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of Novelties, Tally Cards, Party Favors, Mottoes and Unusual gifts of all kinds.
Everything Marked at Sacrifice Prices
COME EARLY FOR THE BEST SELECTION.
MISS BAKER'S GIFT SHOP
110 No. Fourth St.

Expressing our appreciation for your friendship and patronage, we extend to you our very best wishes for a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
Ideal Wet Wash Laundry Company
122 No. Third St. Phone 341

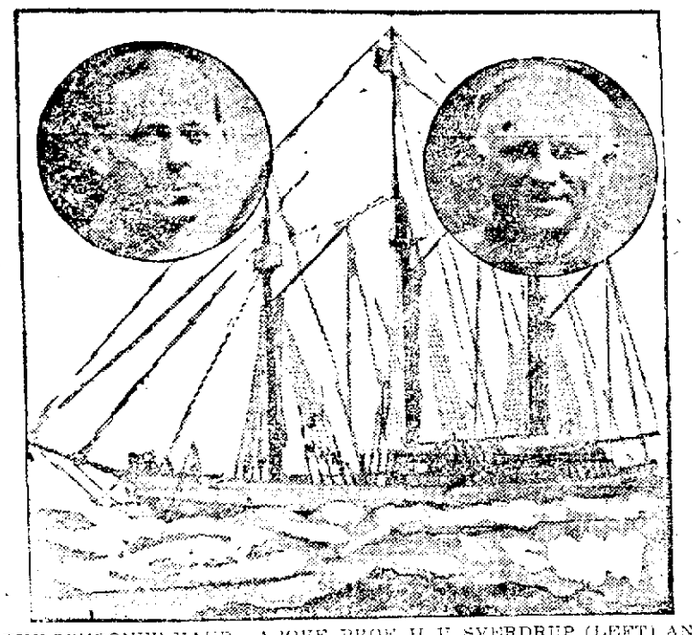
Christmas Boxes For Six Years On Board the Ice-Bound Maud

NOME, Alaska. — "Somewhere around 75°" is the schooner Maud.

Locked helplessly in the polar ice, so isolated from civilization that no help can reach them, the Maud and her crew, comprising the Amundsen arctic drift expedition that left here June 28, 1922, are facing their second Christmas beneath the starless raven of the ten day arctic midnight, the blackest period of the six-month polar darkness.

The hardy crew, as adventurous a band of argonauts as ever lived, is drifting with the ice across the north pole, across the top of the world, in an effort to ascertain whether the ice and currents drift from the Bering Sea to the Greenland Sea, a determination of which will profoundly affect the world's weather forecasts. Their voyage will occupy five, maybe seven, years.

Their leader, Captain Roald Amundsen, famous arctic and antarctic explorer, is back in the United States, having temporarily abandoned his proposed airplane flight across the north pole.



THE SCHOONER MAUD. ABOVE PROF. H. U. SVERDRUP (LEFT) AND CAPTAIN OSCAR WISTING.

A Polar Christmas

If ever there were a dreary setting for Christmas Day, it is the one of [illegible] cold and [illegible] by [illegible] sun, sending the crew of the schooner Maud, who have sacrificed the comforts of home and the civilized world in the interests of that [illegible] goddess, Science.

[illegible] will have their Christmas just the same as they would if they were home. [illegible] this one day [illegible] the [illegible] portrait of an absent [illegible] for packed in the [illegible] are six large [illegible] each [illegible] marked with a tag. One [illegible] last Christmas the [illegible] to the succeeding one [illegible] in [illegible] that it is Christmas [illegible] Captain Oscar [illegible] and H. U. Sverdrup, scientist of the party.

In front of Captain Wisting is a [illegible] box marked "To be opened [illegible] Dear Lord, [illegible] the captain [illegible] the [illegible] which [illegible] men [illegible]

Finally, and last of all, there are [illegible] from the board [illegible] of home [illegible] that have [illegible] more than a year and a [illegible] are [illegible] and [illegible] and bring [illegible] tears to their eyes.

Presents for All

And, separately wrapped, are presents for each of the crew. From [illegible] friends and from [illegible] and [illegible] are [illegible] distributed, and the [illegible] down to the Christmas [illegible]

But that is not all. Shut off though they are within sight of [illegible] they are not [illegible] for them regularly from the Norwegian coast.

The Maud's big radio will be kept busy this Christmas Day receiving and sending greetings between the firesides in Norway and the frozen wastes at the top of the world.

When men, cut off from the world as these are, with no assurance of ever returning, can forget their lot and enjoy themselves on the day of all days, they are made of stern stuff indeed.

Their fine courage has martyred them to science. They have given up everything, that a world may profit by their sacrifice. That is their Christmas gift to us.

We roast 'em fresh daily. Jumbo Peanuts, 5c sacks, 25c a lb. Bodega Club.

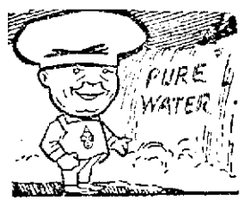
"NICE PEOPLE" OPENS ENGAGEMENT FOR THE BEACH-JONES CO. HERE

A crowd which taxed the capacity of the house was at the Majestic theatre on Sunday to welcome the Beach-Jones Stock company back to La Crosse. And a genuine welcome it was. When "The Little Redhead" appeared upon the stage there was a spontaneous outburst of applause which Miss Sitzer acknowledged. In yesterday's play several new players were introduced to La Crosse and the audience also recognized a few who were members of the cast a few seasons previous.

The company chose "Nice People" as a vehicle to open its engagement here. The three acts of the play make up a satire on the so-called "nice people" of today and take for their central figure Terry Gloucester, typical member of a fast social set. Terry is a high strung, self willed daughter of a wealthy father who thinks she is perfectly capable of taking care of herself and lois her have her own way until Terry's aunt, Margaret Rainsford, arrives upon the scene and opens his eyes. Guy Beach has the role of Scotty Wilbur, would-be fiance of Terry and the part of Billy Wade who saves the situation is taken by Dudley Miller.

Between acts there are refreshing new vaudevile numbers, among them Hawaiian singing and dancing, the Beach Nut Quartette and even "The Little Redhead" herself.

The purest filtered water in this famed food,



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WOMAN GETS HEAVY SENTENCE

TOWNER, N. D.—The severest sentence to be imposed in district court here by Judge W. J. Kneeshaw on liquor law violators, was given to a woman. Christiana Schiele of this city, who was sentenced to five months in the county jail, to pay a fine of $250 and in default of the payment of the fine and costs to serve an additional seventy-five days. Her husband, Andrew Schiele, was sentenced to serve ninety days in jail and pay a fine of $200.

Do you like real good fresh roasted Jumbo Peanuts? Bodega Club.

FOUR HURT IN HEAD-ON CRASH

CHICAGO, Ill. — Four men were probably fatally injured here early today when a touring car and a taxicab crashed head-on while going at a rapid rte of speed. The taxi driver and his passengers were taken to the hospital and are not expected to live.

DIPHTHERIA CLOSES SCHOOLS

LA MOURE, N. D.—The Grand Rapids public schools were ordered closed Wednesday by Dr. F. E. Salvage of this city, La Moure county superintendent of health. The presence of diphtheria was given as the cause for action. There is no danger of an epidemic if the citizens of the county are careful, Dr. Salvage stated.

WOMAN IS ACQUITTED ON CHARGE OF BURNING HOME

FERGUS FALLS, Minn.—Mrs. Alberta Wentz, charged with malicious destruction of property in connection with a fire that burned her home at Richville, was acquitted in the district court here. The Wentz home was insured and Mrs. Wentz was indicted on a charge of arson.

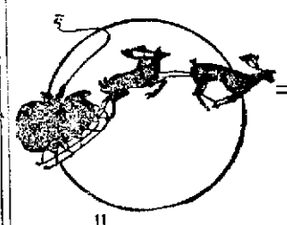
ANNOUNCEMENT

YELLOW CABS

are now under the management of the RENT A FORD CO.

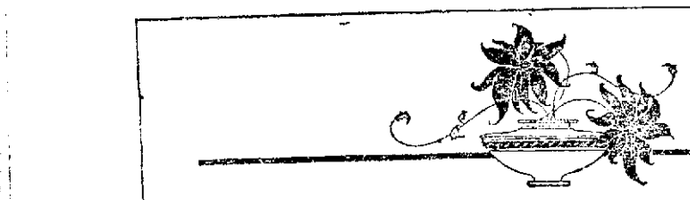
Flat rate to Winter Gardens, one or two passengers at ---------- 50c
Each additional ---------- 25c

CALL 400 or 513.



Wishing our many friends
a very Merry Christmas
and a Joyous New Year.

The Rainbow Gardens Association.



KRAUSE CLOTHING CO.
Main at Third St.

With kindest thoughts and all good wishes for Christmas and throughout the coming New Year

Before Inventory

Ladies' Coats, Suits, Dresses, Skirts, Blouses,
Sweaters, Furs, Girls' Coats, Men's O'Coats

SALE BEGINS WEDNESDAY MORNING

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HALF OFF

ALL SALES FINAL AND FOR CASH

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We advise shoppers to come early during this HALF PRICE sale.

Krause Clothing Co.

Main and Third Sts. *Men's, Women's and Children's Ready-to-Wear.* La Crosse, Wis.

DOERFLINGER'S

CORSETS One lot of Corsets in various makes and styles, broken sizes only. There are Modart Front Lace, Bon Ton, P. N. Practical Front and Nemo Corsets in the assortment. Values from $5.00 to $7.00, Year End Sale, choice ——— **$3.98**
CORSET DEPT.—SECOND FLOOR.

DOERFLINGER'S

Christmas has come and gone and now Inventory is just around the corner. We must clear our shelves and counters of all winter and surplus merchandise and so we begin Wednesday our Anuual Clearance in a Gigantic

YEAR-END SALE

OUR YEAR-END SALE OF Ready-to-Wear

Our entire stock of Women's Fall and Winter Suits, plain and fur trimmed models, Year-End Sale—

1/2 Price

COATS ARE DIVIDED IN FOUR LOTS

Lot One
$10.00

Lot Two
$12.95

Lot Three
$19.50

Lot Four
$29.50

All other Coats at
33⅓% Off

DRESSES ARE DIVIDED IN THREE LOTS

Lot One
$12.95

Lot Two
$19.50

Lot Three
$29.50

All other Dresses at
33⅓% Off

Girls' Coats

Our entire stock of Girls' Coats, Year-End Sale price—

33⅓% Off

Now Comes Our Big Year-End Sale of Cloakings, Black and Colored Dress Goods, Black and Colored Silks, Wash Goods, Ginghams and Wool and Cotton Goods

Every year immediately after Christmas we have this great sale of Yard Fabrics. Our many customers look for it and wait for it. They realize the savings that are made possible for them on account of this sale. This Year-End Sale will continue for only one week. Read the list of special values quoted below. They are real, genuine bargains. Note we do not quote comparative prices. Our advice is shop early as some lots of Yard Fabrics are limited and will sell quickly. Sale starts promptly at 9:00 A. M. Wednesday morning.

YEAR END SALE CLOAKINGS

54 inch all wool Colored Bolivia Cloakings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.98**
Colors are golden brown and plum.

54 inch all wool heavy Bolivia Cloakings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$5.98**
Colors are brown and navy blue.

54 inch all wool heavy Arabella Black Coatings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$6.98**
A real high grade cloaking; rich lustrous black.

54 inch all wool heavy Reversible Cheveron Coatings, Year End Sale price per yard..... **$2.98**
Colors are grey and blue, grey and green.

54 inch all wool Reversible Plaid Back Coatings, Year nd Sale Price per yard **$3.95**
Three smart color combinations; great value.

54 inch all wool heavy colored Mixed Cloakings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$3.50**
Color combinations brown and tan, and blue and brown.

YEAR END SALE OF SILKS

36 inch Extra Fine Quality Black Taffeta Silk, Year End Sale Price per yard **$1.85**
Rich raven black; lustrous finish; all silk.

36 inch all Silk Black Satin Duchess, Year End Sale Price per yard **$1.85**
Don't hesitate to buy this black satin at this special price. It's good.

32 inch all Silk White Wash Pongee, Year Year End Sale Price per yard **$1.39**
A real tub silk; washes like muslin and wears like leather.

39 inch Silk and Wool Colored Canton Crepes, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.19**
Don't miss this special value. Colors are navy, copen, brown, reseda and red; a silk for dress use.

39 inch all Silk Fine Quality Sheer Sherlette Silk, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.39**
Only two colors: navy blue and white. A silk for reception and party dresses.

36 inch High Grade Tub Silk Shirtings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.19**
White silk crepe grounds with colored stripes in various clors. A silk for men's shirts.

39 inch Colored Satin Charmeuse, Year End Sale Price per yard **$1.98**
The colors are navy blue and brown; always staple and in demand.

39 inch Satin Faced All Silk Canton Crepes, Year End Sale Price per yard **$3.19**
The selling shades are navy blue, brown, tan and russet. A silk that is always in demand every day in the business year.

Two Attractive Specials In Wool and Cotton Batts For Year-End Sale

3-lb. Ready Stitched Cotton Batts Year End Sale price per roll—
$1.19
Size 72x90; one roll makes a comfort.

2-lb. All Wool Batts, antimoth processed, Year End Sale price per carton—
$3.39
One pound, same grade, Year-End Sale price per carton, $1.60.

YEAR END SALE DRESS GOODS

One lot of 54 inch Novelty Stripe Skirtings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.75**
Priced less than wholesale; all seasonable color combinations.

One lot of 54 inch Novelty Plaid Sport Skirtings, Year End Sale Price per yard..... **$1.50**
The low price is made to sell them more quickly. Every yard worth double our sale price.

Two pieces of 54 inch all wool Velvonit Stripe Suitings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.95**
Color combinations of blue and brown and brown and tan. An ideal suit and skirt material.

One piece 54 inch Grey Stripe Novelty Skirting, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.48**
If you are in need of a good serviceable skirt, but this quality.

Two pieces of 54 inch Imported Plaid Wool Eponge Skirtings, Year End Sale Price yard **$2.79**
Large plaid designs in color combinations of blue and green.

54 inch all Worsted Self Colored Jacquard Suitings, Year End Sale Price per yard **$2.59**
Shown in two staple colors of brown and navy.

54 inch all wool Navy Blue French Serge, Year End Sale Price per yard **$1.79**
This is the most remarkable serge value you have had the opportuntyl to buy for years.

YEAR END SALE OF WASH GOODS

36 inch Standard Grades Dakota and Belmont Percales, Year End Sale Price per yard **18c**
Choice of light and dark grounds; all neat styles.

36 inch First Quality French and Ensign Dress Percales, Year End Sale Price per yard..... **23c**
Wide choole of light and dark styles.

27 inch Genuine M. F. C. Brand Plaid and Check Dress Ginghams, Year End Sale Price yard..... **29c**
Your opportunity to buy your spring sewing needs in this Year End Sale.

27 inch Appleweb and Valmore Plaid and Check Dress Ginghams, Year End Sale Price per yard.. **19c**
The mills have advanced their prices on all ginghams for spring. Buy now and save.

27 inch Genuine Lerma Fleece Flannels; all new attractive printed styles, per yard **19c**
This is the warm comfy flannel every woman likes for house dresses; fine color assortment.

36 inch Printed Eiderdown Fleece Flannels, mill shorts; perfect goods, Year End Sale, yard **29c**
At this low price this lot will sell rapidly; remember full yard wide, neat floral designs.

32 inch Fine Quality Jacquelin Brand Plaid and Check Dress Ginghams, per yard **45c**
This price will look small when you see what this famous make of gingham will sell for in the spring. Buy now is our advice.

Bargain Basement Year-End Sale Offerings

Crystal White Soap, Year End Sale—
10 bars for 39c

18x36 inch Rag Rugs, hit and miss pattern
49c

12 quart Galvanized Pail, Year End Sale, each—
15c

Medium size Galvanized Wash Tubs, Year End Sale—
49c

WOMEN'S HOSE

Women's fine all wool Hose, slightly imperfect; assorted colors, Year End Sale,pair—
49c

REMNANTS

One table of Gingham Remnants in lengths of one, two and three yards, Year End Sale per yard—
14c

PERCALE REMNANTS

One table of Percale Remnants in light and dark patterns. Year nd Sale per yard—
12½c

DRESSES

Year End Clearance of Poiret Twill Dresses, very smart models, $9.75 and $10.75 values, Year End Sale at each—
$6.75

The Year-End Prices Quoted On This List of Men's Men's Wear Are Startling

SHIRTS

We have divided our stock of Shirts in two lots to make room for new stock.

One lot consists of all our $1.00 and $1.19 Shirts in printed and corded percales, neckband style, sizes 14 to 17, choice..... **2 for $1.00**

One lot consists of the balance of our $2.00, $2.25, $2.50 and $3.00 Neckband Shirts of Repps, Corded and Silk Stripe Madras and many other high grade cloths. This lot of shirts is guaranteed in every way **$1.39 OR 3 for $4.00**

Our Neckwear has been divided in two lots, one lot at each **39c**

3 for $1.00 | One lot, each at **69c**

OVERCOATS

We have a few all wool Overcoats in small sizes which we are closing out at.. **$13.95**
Sizes 36, 37, 38 and 40

SWEATERS

Men's all wool Sweaters, coat style, also pullovers in V neck and shawl collar in shaker and jumbo knits, in blue, brown, grey, maroon and dark green, $5.00, $6.00 and $7.50 values, at **$3.98**

SWEATERS

Sport Coats and Brushed Wool Sweaters, regular $4.00, $6.00 and $7.50 values, at 25% Discount.

BATHROBES

Men's Bathrobes that are selling now from $3.95 to $10.00, at 25% Discount.

WORK SHIRTS

Khaki colored Outing Flannel Work Shirts, sizes 14½ to 17, each at **79c**

SUITS

We have about 40 suits with two pairs of pants, some serges and cassimeres, in blue, brown and grey, suitable for everyday wear. These are serviceable, well made garments at the clearance price **$14.75**

Some "Humdingers" From the Shoe Section

100 pairs brown calf leather Sport Oxfords, Goodyear sewed soles, broken sizes, regular $5.00 and $6.00 values, Year End Sale Price per pair **$3.98**

50 pairs brown calf leather Growing Girls' Oxfords, low rubber heels, square toes, $5.85 value, Year End Sale per pair. **$2.98**

30 pairs Misses' Acrobat Gun Metal and Smoked Elk Lace Shoes, broken sizes, regular $5.00 sellers, Year End Sale per pair. **$2.98**

50 pairs Queen Quality high grade sample Oxfords, sizes 3½ and 4, A and B, regular $10.00 value, at **$3.49**

30 pair odd sizes in Arch Preserver Shoes in black and brown kid, military heels, a discontinued style, regular $10.85 value, Year End Sale price per pair **$6.85**

One lot of Little Boys' Bluchers, sizes 9 to 2, black gun metal, Goodyear sewed, regular $4.00 value, at **$2.79**

One lot of Women's Felt Slippers with leather soles and heels, sizes 3 to 8, closing out. per pair **59c**

SHEETS

Bleached Seamless Bed Sheets, nothing to compare with them on the present market at this price. They're splendid bleached Bed Sheets, all full size 81x90 inches and seamless. Year End Sale **$1.39**
BEDDING SECTION—MAIN FLOOR.

DAMASK

Mercerized Table Damask of good quality in a number of very attractive patterns, ordinary width. At the price quoted it will be very profitable for you to anticipate your needs for months to come, as this quality sells ordinarily at a higher price. Year End Sale per yard ——— **50c**
LINEN DEPARTMENT—MAIN FLOOR.

TOWELING

Bleached Crash Toweling, regular width, neat blue border, exceptional value in the Year End Sale at per yard **16c**
LINEN DEPARTMENT—MAIN FLOOR

EVENING SCHOOL CLASSES ENJOY CHRISTMAS EVENT

English and Americanization Pupils Have a Holiday Party

The English and Americanization classes of the La Crosse evening school held their Christmas party Thursday, December 20, in the high school. The program was as follows:

Holy Night, and Christmas Carols—French selections.
Silent Night—Classes.
Address—Mr. C. Meyer.
"The Christmas Story"—Miss M. [illegible]
O Come All Ye Faithful, and Nazareth—Victrola selections.
Exchange of Christmas gifts.
Refreshments.

For the majority of the men and women of these classes, this Christmas party was the first they had attended in the United States, most of them having come to this country during the year. Nevertheless judging from the enthusiasm shown and the happy face of each one, the American style of celebrating Christmas was deemed a big success.

We should like to state at this time that all the classes are not filled. Other people, either foreign or American born, who wish to enroll, will be welcome. These classes again commence January 8, 1924.

School officials thank Mr. Leithold for so kindly loaning the Christmas trees for the evening.

Mr. Meyer, chiropractor, was for only a member of the evening school classes. Mr. Meyer states well his appreciation of the evening schools in an address:

"It is my pleasure this evening to talk to you upon a subject that is of vital importance to you and to the country of your adoption—the United States of America. What should the evening schools of this country do to the foreigner?

"When a man leaves the country of his birth and enters another country it is like a tree that is dug up and put in other soil. It takes considerable care to make this tree grow and to bear fruit. It is the same with you and with me. We left our native country to become a part of the greatest, noblest nation of the world, the United States of America. In order to bear fruit, so to speak, we must study hard and learn to understand the language and customs of our new home. We must learn to speak the language that is spoken by the people who were born here or who have already taken advantage of the opportunities that is free in this country. We should be especially thankful to the good people who have undertaken the great work of molding us people from other lands into useful citizens of this great country.

"I want at this time to grasp the opportunity of thanking my former instructors, Messrs. John B. Coleman and D. H. Shepardson, also the members of the board of industrial education for what they have done for me. I know that I express the sentiments of all of you when I say that we wish to express our sincere thinks to Miss Jonas, Mrs. Miller and Miss Anderegg for the excellent instruction that they are now furnishing us.

"This country of our adoption is often called the melting pot because people from all nations enter it and should be, through education, melted into a great mass of good American citizens.

"It matters not whether we come from Norway, Germany, Sweden, Greece, Persia or Russia, we should soon become familiar enough with this country so that we will all be melted together and abide by the constitution of the United States. Let us be friendly and extend brotherly love toward men and women from all countries and never let hatred or prejudice keep us from respecting each other.

"Let us hope that all nations will begin the year of 1924 with this spirit, then we will have peace and liberty for all nations, just such peace as we have in this, the United States of America."

SAYS LIFE IS IN PERIL IF HE TAKES YOUTH TO CHURCH

Wealthy Man Adopts Boy Freed on Murder Charge and Trouble Follows

CONVENT, N. J.—Threats of serious consequences if he should again visit Grace Episcopal church with his prospective foster son are declared by Monnell Sayre, wealthy patron of Francis Kluxen, to have been the reason for his absence from services Sunday. Kluxen, a Madison school-boy, was taken in hand by Mr. Sayre last year after his acquittal of the murder of Janet Lawrence, a school girl.

Mr. Sayre, who has taken steps to legally adopt Kluxen, took the boy to church a week ago.

Many threats have been made against Kluxen's life, he said, and the boy is being kept indoors at the Sayre mansion. Some persons he says, have told him that Kluxen, who is 16 years old, is believed guilty of the Lawrence murder and have hinted that the Ku Klux Klan may take a hand.

"On account of four attempts to assassinate the boy within two weeks after his acquittal, "Sayre said, "I deemed it my Christian duty to take him to live with me, but I don't care to risk my son's life for the privilege of attending any church."

Mr. Sayre is a banker and a vestryman of Grace church.

$20,000 FOR LEG

WAUKEGAN, Ill. — The largest award in a personal injury suit in Lake county was given Eugene Bolle of Waukegan, a former switchman, a jury allowing him $20,000 for the loss of a leg in a verdict against the Chicago and Northwestern railroad. Bolle's leg was lost two years ago when he was squeezed between a switch engine and a coal chute.

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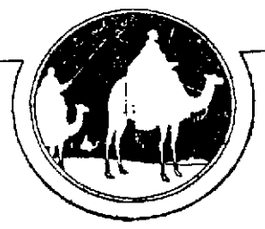

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One lot of Silks, Taffetas, Messaline, Lining Satins, colored Pongee and checked Taffetas, worth up to $2.35, at the yard.. $1.19

40 inch Crepe de Chine, worth $2.25, at the yard $1.59

40 in. Paisley Silks in Canton Crepe, Crepe Knit and all-the-year Crepe, values up to $4.00, at the yard $1.98

BASEMENT STORE SPECIALS

Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns, always sold at $1.39, to close for 98c

Ladies' Nainsook Gowns, Chemise and step-in Drawers, values up to $2.00, for 98c

Ladies' Sateen Bloomers, regular $2.00 values, for... 98c

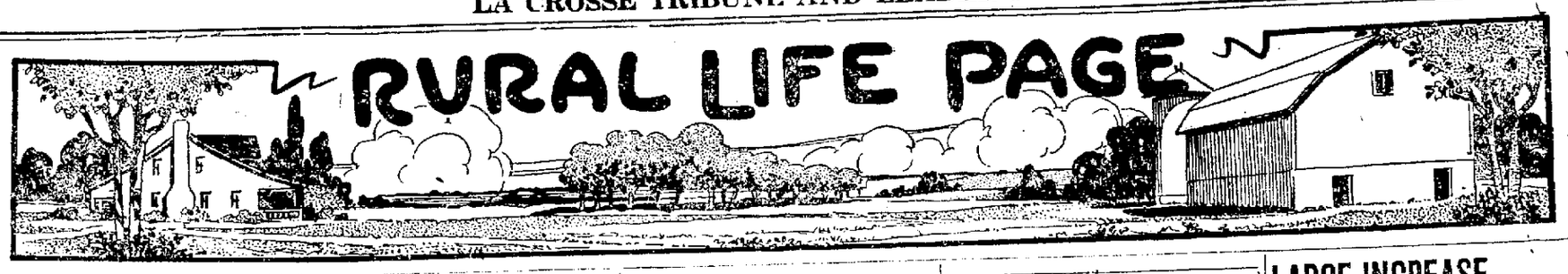
Ladies' Bungalow Aprons, values up to $1.75, for..... 98c

Children's Gingham and Sateen Rompers, regular $1.25 and $1.50 values, for 98c

Children's white Middies, regular $1.25 value, for.... 98c

Ladies' Wash Waists, slightly soiled, values to $3.98... 98c

One small lot of Ladies' and Children's Wool Dresses, values up to $15, for.... $4.98



WINNER AT TON LITTER CONTEST TALKS ON HOGS

Gives Story of Hogs Which Were Shown at Vernon County Exhibit

By JOE LINDAHL, Chaseburg.

It is my pleasure to relate a few facts concerning the hog business in which I am interested. In the first place permit me to say that my admiration has always been most for the Duroc swine. I not only admire those for their early maturity and hearty constitution but I sincerely believe that they are the farmers' hogs and will produce the greatest amount of pork in the shortest time with the least cost of any of the recognized pork producing hogs.

My interest in Duroc Jersey hogs centers about purebreds, for I believe that this is the only way constructive breeding can be carried out. In my particular work I need to have a record of all the animals on my farm if I am to promote the hog business. I realize that there are many other good breeds of hogs and that the breed that I am interested in will succeed only to the extent that the admirers of Duroc put forth an effort to maintain the superior quality recognized in the Duroc breed as economic producers of pork, especially hams, chops and bacon.

The litter of pigs which I have been successful with in our Vernon county contest was farrowed March 8th, 1923. They are descendants of Lassie Sensation No. 1234136 on the dam's side, and Premier Sensation Giants No. 323627 on the sire side. This litter of twelve pure bred pigs unfortunately lost their dam at the age of five days. This incident necessitated our trying to raise the litter by hand.

We constructed a couple of small milk troughs and began feeding the pigs with sweet milk at regular intervals five times each day. The pigs were rather slow in their early growth and before the first two months had passed two pigs of the litter died. At the age of two months we changed our ration from whole milk to buttermilk with the addition of a small quantity of midlings. We gradually added a small portion of corn. After three months of age we put the litter in a small runway that afforded a small amount of pasture. We increased our feed of buttermilk and middlings giving three feeds a day. At the noon day feed each day we added two cobs of corn per hog or twenty ears total.

About August first we changed our feeding ration still further. We increased our quantity of buttermilk and began to feed all the corn on cob that the hogs would eat. Also at this time we took away all the midlings. This allowed a very simple ration but one on which the hogs seemed to thrive very well. Several of the individuals developed exceptional show quality and by the middle of September we believed were able to go to most any show ring. Two males especially showed exceptional good quality. These two showed at the Inter-State fair at La Crosse and won second and third place in their class. Of the litter of ten, five were males and five were females. The litter of ten exhibited at the county fair at the age of six months and sixteen days weighed 2435 pounds, or an average of 143.5 pounds. Immediately after the fair eight of these animals five females and three males—were sold over the scales. Two males retained for breeding purposes were later sold for $35 each.

The cost of producing this litter is relatively small owing to the fact that we obtained buttermilk at 15 cents per barrel, and our corn was figured at $1.00 per bushel. The small quantity of midlings used was purchased for $25.00 per ton. Although we have no exact computation of our feed costs we feel safe in estimating that our corn marketed through these hogs returned no less than $2.00 per bushel, and our buttermilk no less than 50 cents per barrel.

We feel safe in concluding that the hog business is a profitable game if played consistently and when played with well bred animals. With full appreciation of this fact permit me to say that these animals are all descendants of the foundation stock once owned by Mr. Michael Stoehr, Viroqua. The results obtained in this ten litter contest are a true realization of the scientific application of better hog production practiced by Mr. Stoehr.

OFFICE OF VERNON COUNTY AGENT TO BE DISCONTINUED

Vernon County Board One of Three Boards Voting to Abolish Office

MADISON, Wis. The county agent movement in Wisconsin is holding its own, according to reports to the state college of agriculture. Fifteen counties where the question of abolishing the office of county agent has been raised, have voted to continue the employment of the "farmers' hired man," it is said.

Counties in which county boards voted to retain the agents are: Oneida, Clark, Eau Claire, Pierce, Grant, Price, Barron, Douglas, Kewaunee, Oconto, Shawano, Jefferson, Rock, Winnebago and Washington. Trempealeau county voted to establish the office of county agricultural agent for the first time. A referendum vote on the question will be taken in Portage county next spring.

Vernon, Polk and Door counties are the only ones thus far which voted to discontinue the office of the county agent. In the other twenty-four counties where the question was to have been taken up, the agent work was either continued or no action taken.

HOLMEN TEAM TO TRY FOR HONORS AT MADISON SOON

District Winners to Compete for Championship in February

MADISON, Wis.—Six high schools have qualified for the finals in the state high school stock judging contest which is billed for February 22 and 23 at the Wisconsin College of Agriculture, here, according to college officials.

Chilton, Hillsboro, Rio, Holmen and Roberts high school teams have been successful in competition in their respective districts, entitling them to compete for all state honors. The event is sponsored by the Wisconsin Livestock Breeders' association. All classes of livestock including sheep, horses, dairy cattle, beef cattle and hogs will be placed by the boys.

T. L. Rewick, state club leader of boys' and girls' club work, who is in charge of arrangements for the event, expects a bigger and more representative group of high school judges this year than ever before in the history of the event.

In the local district contest, the Holmen team, composed of Cassberg, Hanson and Olson, and coached by Mr. Fields, scored 1541.26 points out of a possible 1800. The West Salem team took second place with 1497.99 points, and Hixton and Mindoro scored 1473.34 and 1413.61 points respectively. The Holmen aggregation also won the district contest last year.

FARMER PINNED IN FRONT OF CAR IS IN HOSPITAL

Charles Christianson, farmer residing two miles north of Centerville, is at a local hospital with injuries sustained when he was pinned between the garage workbench and his automobile after starting the engine.

Unable to turn over the engine with the crank, Christianson put the engine in gear, jacked up the rear wheel and attempted to start it by revolving the wheel. This failing, he tried the crank again.

When the engine started the machine vibrated from the jack and lunged forward, pinning Christianson against the workbench. A large roll of building paper on the floor against the workbench stopped the wheel and prevented more serious injury.

Dr. Jegi of Galesville was called, and the injured man was rushed to the La Crosse hospital. It was found that his stomach arteries were badly bruised. Christianson is deaf and dumb, and the possibility that he did not realize the engine had started may have figured in the mishap.

HOLSTEIN ASS'N OF BARRON CO. MAKES LARGE SHIPMENTS

BARRON, Wis. — Forty cars of cattle representing a value of $60,000 have been handled co-operatively through the Holstein association of Barron county, according to a report by W. A. Duffy, county agent. Three consignment sales of pure bred cattle were conducted. Twenty shipments of Guernsey cattle were made, representing a value of $34,000, the agent reports.

CHRISTMAS REVERIE

Sometimes at night when cares of day
Have pressed too heavily to sleep,
I sit and watch the stars for
They distel the rancors in the heart
And draw one closer in his walk with God.

When day is done, the peaceful stars
Sheds over one a veil of tender longing,
And one looks up in modest wonder
At the grandeur of the universe.

Oh, what a rest to watch the stars,
For they demand no pressing need
Or drain of weakened energy.
A blissful time—when moments are one's own,
Unfettered by the will of others
When faults and fancies of the past
Become as nothing, in the presence of Omnipotence.

At night, the flowers and trees
And all the growing things
That rested never sleep,
Take on new life and
In the morn from out the quietude and dew
Are born again.

In quiet thus doth man commune with nature God
It is too time, the "Still small voice"
Doth reign supreme.
If only heeded, how our daily wants
Comforts would forth-coming be,
Not only for today, but for all our future needs.

All through the different seasons of the year,
The constellations with exact precision come and go,
To spur the world worn traveler on
To greater realms of new creative thought.

The Zodiac cycle of the year is nearly closed
And the December heavens have reached
Their greatest brilliancy,
Heralding the coming of the infant Christ-child and the Glad New Year.

And thus each year we're born again,
For nobler deeds and higher thoughts,
Could we foretell as Chaldean Shepherds did
Of sky and prophecies,
Where comfort and wise peace
Pre-stars would bring
How good world be the days to all
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HOOSIER MAIDEN COPS CORN PRIZE AT INTERNATIONAL

Mary Ternet of New Haven, Ind., is some little farmerette! Corn she raised took first prize in a contest held in connection with the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago. Girls from practically every state in the union competed.

HOLMEN DAIRYMEN BUY 21 HEAD HIGH GRADE GUERNSEYS

H. C. Willey and Sons Buy New Cattle and Build New Barns

H. C. Willey and Sons of Holmen purchased 21 head of high grade Guernseys at a private sale at West Salem last Monday. The purpose of buying these Guernseys is to improve the milking herd.

According to Mr. Willey, the fifty-six head now on the farm will be culled and about the same number will be kept in the herd as before. Then cows will be fresh in six weeks.

At present, two La Crosse milk stations are being supplied with fresh milk from the Willey farm every day, and in order to keep these stations supplied only with the best of milk, the farm has undergone extensive improvements.

In addition to injecting these high grade cattle into the herd, new barns have been built in which modern barn equipment has been installed. The public is invited to visit the farm at any time.

D. C. WEBSTER AND J. C. LEVERICH TO ADDRESS MEETING

The annual convention of the Wisconsin State Horticultural society will be held at Madison, January 9, 10 and 11. The convention will be opened January 9 with an address by Governor John J. Blaine. After this, and continuing throughout the three days of the meeting, nationally known speakers will address the members on problems of the day.

Two men in this vicinity will be speakers during the meeting. J. E. Leverich of Sparta will talk at the opening session on strawberries. At the Friday morning session, D. C. Webster, La Crescent fruit grower, will speak on "How to Win."

WEEKLY MARKETGRAM

For week ending Dec. 21, 1923:

Livestock and meats: Chicago hog prices ranged from 25c to 40c lower that a week ago, closing at $7 for the top and $6.10 to $7 for the bulk. Medium and good beef steers 10c lower to 25c higher at $7.85 to $11.40; butcher cows and heifers 15c lower to 25c higher at $3.50 to $11.25; feeder steers steady at $4 to $8; light and medium weight veal calves steady to 50c lower at $8.50 to $10.25. Fat lambs steady to 10c higher at $11.25 to $13; feeding lambs 25c lower at $10.75 to $12.25; yearlings steady, $8.25 to $11; fat ewes steady to 25c higher at $4.75 to $7.50.

Stocker and feeder shipments from 12 important markets during the week ending December 14th were: Cattle and calves 97,821; hogs 11,336; sheep 32,367.

In eastern wholesale fresh meat markets beef ranged from weak to $1 lower; veal $1 to $2; lamb $2 to $4; mutton weak to $2 and pork loins $1 to $2.50 lower.

December 21st prices good grade meats: beef $14 to $17; veal $12 to $16; lamb $18 to $22; mutton $13 to $16; light pork loins $13 to $14.50; heavy loins $16 to $13.

Grain: Wheat market weak and prices 2c to 3c lower for week. Corn market also weak. Future prices fractionally lower and cash grain 1c to 2c lower. Receipts not heavy but demand of small volume. Oats about 1c lower, demand less active.

Quoted December 21st, 1923: No. 1 dark Northern spring Minneapolis $1.09 to $1.18 No. 2 hard winter Chicago $1.05 to $1.06½; St. Louis $1.05½ to $1.06; No. 2 red winter St. Louis 72½c; No. 3 yellow St. Louis 70½ to $1.11 to $1.12; No. 2 yellow corn Chicago 71½c; No. 3 white oats Chicago 42½c to 43½c; Minneapolis 39½c; St. Louis 43½c.

Dairy products—Butter markets closed the week steady to firm but with an unsettled undertone. Demand sluggish and real buying interest confined mostly to top grades. Retail outlets appear smaller at high prices prevailing. Today's closing wholesale prices on 92 score butter: New York 55c; Chicago 54c; Boston 51c; Philadelphia 55c.

Cheese markets featured by further declines during the week which however failed to bring about any activity. Dull trading expected until the first of the year. Wholesale prices at Wisconsin primary markets December 20th: Single Daisies 23½c; Double Daisies 21½c; Longhorns 22½c; Square Prints 22½c.

An unbreakable metal top for percolators is said to improve the coffee.

READSTOWN AND LA FARGE WILL HAVE INSTITUTES

Institutes for Women Will Also be Held at the Same Time

Plans and arrangements have been completed for the two-day farmers' institute and women's institute at La Farge and Readstown. The institute at La Farge will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 8 and 9. The women's institute will be held at the same time in the basement of the bank building. The general institute will be held in the opera hall.

The institutes at Readstown will be held on Thursday and Friday, January 10 and 11. All are cordially invited to attend these institutes. On the evening of the first day's institute at each session a program will be presented largely composed of home talent. E. W. Schelling, Vernon county agent, chairman, and Mrs. B. E. Pontius, Mr. R. E. Vaughan of the State College of Agriculture, and Dr. G. W. Henika of the state board of health, of Madison, and Ray C. Walker of Plainville will be speakers on the programs.

CHEESE OUTPUT OF STATE FOR 1923 IS GREATER THAN 1922

MADISON, Wis. — Wisconsin's 1923 output of cheese will reach probably 214,000,000 pounds, according to estimates of members of the Wisconsin Cheese Producers' Federation. Last year's production amounted to 20,000,000, statistics of the federation show, and this is expected to be bested by twenty per cent this year. The Badger state produced ten per cent of the nation's cheese output last year, records show.

Practically every state in the nation has received cheese through the state federation this year, officials report. New York state, once the leader of the nation in cheese production, is among the receivers of Wisconsin cheese, it is said. California on the other coast, has been another large buyer from the federation.

PRODUCTION MUST BE EFFICIENT IS COYNER'S OPINION

JEFFERSON, Wis.—Efficient production and a high quality of product are the most advisable methods of solving the farmers' problems today, declares J. M. Coyner, county agent of Jefferson county. He states that these methods will go far toward meeting the labor and marketing problems which he declares are the chief farm difficulties at the present time.

To demonstrate the truth of his declarations, County Agent Coyner has carried out four demonstration projects in the county during the past year. They follow: Farm orchard, marsh soils, poultry and alfalfa.

WILL INVESTIGATE FEEDING VALUE OF RYE IN PRICE CO.

PHILLIPS, Wis.—Because of the high price of feeds, Price county farmers are inaugurating a movement to discover the feeding value of rye. County Agent H. U. Rahmlow reports. Agent Rahmlow advises the farmers that although cattle do not like rye as well as some other feeds, if not more than one-third ground rye is used in a ration, it gives good results.

The following ration is suggested, fed with clover hay: ground rye, 34 pounds; ground oats, 34 pounds, wheat bran, 20 pounds, and oil meal, 12 pounds.

600 TONS OF LIME BOUGHT BY PIERCE COUNTY FARMERS

ELLSWORTH, Wis.—Nearly 600 tons of limestone have been purchased by Pierce county farmers during the past year and used for soil purposes, County Agent H. G. Seyforth reports. The limestone was purchased through the county agent at an average price of $1.75 per ton.

Soil surveys of twenty five individual farms in the county have been made during the year. Fifty samples of soil have been tested for acidity and over 300 other samples are on hand to be tested.

LA CROSSE BIRDS WIN AT POULTRY SHOW AT WINONA

Two La Crosse poultry fanciers placed at the annual exhibition of the Winona County Poultry association, held at the Armory at Winona.

Fred Netwal, exhibiting Single Comb Dark Brown Leghorns, was awarded first cock and first pullet in his class. George H. Hayes exhibited Single Comb White Leghorns and his birds won fourth cock, fourth hen, third and seventh cockerel, fifth and seventh pullet, and third pen.

There is a farm in London where the pests are deliberately bred, as a means, however, of studying methods of exterminating the species.

CHAMPION OF ALL BOY CORN GROWERS AT INTERNATIONAL

Maurice Lux, 12-year-old Shelbyville (Ind.) boy, is a regular farmer, all right. He won first prze in a field of 200 entrants, from 43 states, in a boys' corn raising contest held in connectoin with the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago.

NEW MARKETING SERVICES TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

Plans to Include General Broadening of the Service

MADISON, Wis. — Arrangements are being completed by the state department of markets for several new marketing services for the benefit of Wisconsin farmers beginning shortly after the first of the year, it was announced today.

Plans for the new markets have not been completed and what work will be undertaken was not announced.

B. B. Jones, marketing specialist of the department, has just returned from Washington where he conferred with federal officials regarding plans for handling the markets over the federal markets wire. He also attended a session of marketing specialists from all parts of the country.

The department's plans include a general broadening of the scope of the market report, it is said.

THE COUNTY AGENT'S CREED

BY B. W. SCHELLING,
(County Agent of Vernon County.)

I love the big out-of-doors; the smell of the soil; the touch of the rain; the smile of the sun; the kiss of the wind; the song of the birds and the laughter of the summer breezes in the trees.

I love the growing crops: the rustle of the corn; the golden billow of the ripening wheat; the fleecy cotton bursting from the boll; the musky odor of the ripening fruit and the shimmer of the grass that is blue.

I love God's creatures great and small; that minister to man's needs; the friendship of the horse; the confidence of the sheep; the gentleness of the cow and the contented confidence of the fattening swine: These represent the response of service to kindness and care.

Because I love these things—

I believe in the open country and the life of country people; in their hopes, their aspirations and their simple faith; in their ability and power to enlarge their own lives and plan for the happiness of those that they love.

I believe in the farmer as the nation's sure defense; the reservoir of its prosperity; its haven of security from those who would despoil it from within or without.

I believe in the farmer's right to a comfortable living; to such recompense for his capital and labor and skill as will make him the peer of those who work in office, shop or mine; in his right to co-operate with his neighbors for the security of his business life and in the helping service science sends as handmaid to his sense.

I believe in the sacredness of the farmer's home; in the holiness of the country woman's love and the opportunity that home should assure to culture, grace and power.

I believe in the country boy and girl; in their longings for opportunity and their right to trained minds; healthy bodies and clean hearts; and to the country's call and claim to their service.

I believe in work; in the glory of service and the benediction of duty honestly discharged.

I believe in my own work; the opportunity it offers to be helpful, and in its touch of human sympathy and its joy of common fellowship.

I believe in the public institutions of which I am a part; of their right to my loyalty and my enthusiasm in extending the established principles and ideals of those who seek and find the truth.

I believe in myself; in humility but with sincerity of purpose I offer to work with country man, woman and child to making the farm prosperous, the country home comfortable and beautiful and the rural community satisfying and my own life useful.

Because I love these things and believe these things, I am a county agent.

LARGE INCREASE IN PEA CANNING BUSINESS NOTED

Industry Has Tripled Since 1908 Placing State in First Ranks

MADISON, Wis.—The pea canning industry in Wisconsin, in which the state ranks first among states, has more than tripled in extent since 1908, according to statistics issued by J. G. Emery, state food and dairy commissioner. In 1908, 2,000,000 cases of peas were canned in the state. Last year 7,042,000 cases were canned.

The growth of the industry is shown in the following table giving production by years: 1908, 2,000,000; 1909, 1,878,000; 1910, 1,086,000; 1911, 1,520,000; 1912, 2,658,000; 1913, 3,338,000; 1914, 2,555,000; 1915, 2,169,000; 1916, 2,765,000; 1917, 3,569,185; 1918, 4,519,934; 1919, 4,317,000; 1920, 5,840,000; 1921, 4,063,000, and 1922, 7,042,000.

"Pea canning inspection by the state department has been very extensive," Commissioner Emery declares. "The many hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of peas are put into cans within a period of about six weeks. An hour's delay in a factory may mean hundreds of dollars in loss. Hence, the necessity of proper inspection to be sure the conditions in and about the factory are right at the start and are maintained."

Over 200 inspections of canning factories were made by representatives of the department last year.

CALEDONIA WILL HAVE A POULTRY SHOW IN JANUARY

Premium lists for the ninth annual exhibition of the Houston County Poultry association to be held at the city hall at Caledonia on January 3, 4, 5, 6, 1924, are being mailed by Secretary J. C. Gengler to 600 poultry breeders and other persons interested in the welfare of the show.

The Houston County Poultry association is a member of the American Poultry association and shows under the American Poultry association's rules. Entries close January 1 and birds must be in the show room by January 2.

E. H. Hofman of this city will act as judge and place awards. Cash prizes will be awarded in addition to the usual ribbons.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS ORGANIZED IN BROWN COUNTY

GREEN BAY, Wis.—During the season of 1923, twenty-seven boys' and girls' agricultural clubs were organized in Brown county according to the annual report of J. N. Kavanaugh, county agricultural agents.

More than a hundred children were members of the clubs which raised calves, pigs, corn, potatoes and poultry. The members of the calf club were required to raise one calf apiece.

TRAIN KILLS LABORER

FARGO, N. D.—Jambo Zunkoff, 40 years old, section laborer for the Northern Pacific railroad at Hawley, Minn., was killed instantly when a westbound freight train hit him as he was walking along the tracks.

Mongolia, with six-inch eggs a million years old, must be a bad place for actors.

FRUIT GROWERS OF STATE WILL HAVE MEET IN JANUARY

To Consider Common Problems of Growers on January 9, 10 and 11

MADISON, Wis.—Wisconsin commercial fruit growers have been called into a session here January 9, 10 and 11, to consider problems common to the commercial fruit business in conjunction with the annual convention of the Wisconsin Horticultural Society, according to Frederick Cranefield, secretary of the state association.

Commercial producers will be addressed in separate sessions by experts on the fruit business from several states. Among these will be B. W. Rees, Rochester, N. Y., manager of the Western New York Fruit Growers association, a co-operative packing concern. Prof. W. S. Brock of the University of Illinois also will speak to the commercial growers. Many other speakers are also on the program.

Subjects to be considered include: cooperative marketing, thinning, grading, packing, packages from commission men's standpoint.

LIME EXPERIMENTS SHOW GOOD RESULTS IN MONROE COUNTY

SPARTA, Wis.—Fifteen experiments with lime in Monroe county during the past two years have convinced many farmers of the value of this substance in building up soils, County Agent Liddle reports. Twelve of the fifteen plots show up striking results, the agent declares. Large signs were displayed on the land where lime was used to call to the attention of farmers the use of lime.

"On one plot, wheat stood from three to six inches higher for several weeks where lime was used than where it was not," Liddle says. "After the wheat was harvested, the effects of the lime on clover could be clearly seen. A tour including thirty-five automobile loads of farmers was made to demonstrate the lime value.

VALUE OF COUNTY AGENT IS SEEN IN WAUKESHA COUNTY

WAUKESHA, Wis.—More than 13,000 farm people were reached during the past year through activities of the county agricultural agent, according to the report of J. F. Thomas. The county agent declares that 8,473 miles were traveled during the year, 3,000 circular letters distributed, and 3,500 bulletins on farm work distributed.

Other items included in the report are: Days in field, 176; days in office, 110; farm visits, 712 to 500 farms, demonstrations conducted, 55; meetings held, 104, and press articles, 145.

FOUR MEN FROM COUNTY ATTEND CANNERS COURSE

W. M. Kenyon, H. Solsen, F. W. Stringer and A. L. Sprecher of La Crosse county attended the special pea canners short course held at the University of Wisconsin last week. More than 140 Badger manufacturers were enrolled in the course which lasted one week. Twenty-eight counties were represented by men from 70 factories.

OMAHA WILL HAVE ANNUAL LIVESTOCK MEET IN JANUARY

DENVER, Col.—The twenty-seventh annual convention of the American National Livestock association will be held in Omaha January 15, 16 and 17, it was announced by T. W. Tomlison, secretary of the association.

HOLSTEIN BULLS

We only have one serviceable bull left. Sired by *"Beauty Ormsby Mercedes"* and out of *"Canary Gilt Mabel,"* the high cow in West Salem C. T. A., with 515 pounds of fat. We have three eight months old, from good A. R. O. cows, all sired by *"Beauty Ormsby Mercedes."*

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We have a few *Poland China boars* left. They are big, long bodied, heavy boned. The kind that will increase your pork production. Farmers that have used our boars are our best boosters.

J. D. McDonald

WEST SALEM, WIS.

CRIQUI'S HEART BROKEN MORE THAN HANDS IS BELIEF

Fails to Defeat Johnny Dundee; Injuries to Hands May be Permanent

PARIS.—Eugene Criqui's pugilistic career is ended. The abandonment of his titles of featherweight champion of France and Europe, owing to the injuries he received in his bout for charity against Hebrans on October 6, is expected to be permanent.

Criqui's hands, which he smashed on the Belgian champion's head, are not so badly broken as his heart over his failure to defeat Johnny Dundee in New York.

Dundee Ends Dream

Through his victory over Kilbane the Frenchman achieved an ambition of twelve long years, divided between the ring and the battle front. For sixty days his name was blazoned on the billboards as featherweight champion of the world, but Dundee ended all this.

The sledge hammer blows Criqui received from Dundee in the Polo grounds broke down some of his indomitable spirit. The jeers of the bleacher fans did the rest.

Stayed Fifteen Rounds

"I was unconscious on the floor until these sleepy reached my ears. So you're a champion," Criqui told the correspondent. "I decided to show them how a champion went down, and never would have quit if I had been able. I stayed fifteen rounds. I don't know how it was that Johnny didn't lay me out for keeps when I came up for the second round. Don't ever talk boxing to me again, except for another chance at Dundee."

COACHES TO BE GUESTS AT BANQUET NEW YEAR'S DAY

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Football coaches of national fame who will be in Pasadena for the New Year's game will be guests at an inter-fraternity banquet in the Biltmore hotel here December 29. Secretary of the Navy Denby, Admiral Henry B. Wilson, superintendent of the Naval Academy, and Admiral S. S. Robison, commander-in-chief of the United States battle fleet, have been invited.

OLYMPIC ALL-STARS CLASH WITH HASKELL INDIANS TUESDAY

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—With the arrival here Monday of Coach Bob Peats and his San Francisco olympic all-star football team, everything is in readiness for the grid battle Tuesday with the Haskell Indians at Washington park. The olympic squad did wind up practice with a short scrimmage at the park Monday afternoon, the Indians completing their practice in the morning.

HIRAM DEMPSEY IS ARRESTED ON LIQUOR CHARGE

SALT LAKE CITY.—Hiram Dempsey, Jack Dempsey's father, was arrested on charge of violating prohibition laws and released on $500 bond. He is alleged to have had liquor at a safe.

RECOMMEND TRACK COACH

NEW YORK.—Amateur athletic union recommended appointment of Lawson Robertson of the University of Pennsylvania as head coach of the track and field athletes of the 1924 American Olympic team.

STODDARD NEWS

Rev. and Mrs. Bergholz and the latter's mother, Mrs. Wiseman, of La Crosse, were guests of Rev. and Mrs. J. Brackebusch Monday.

The funeral of Miss Henrietta Woodward, a long time resident of Vernon county, was held Sunday, December 15, at the M. E. church and interment was made at the town of Harmony cemetery near Newton. Miss Woodward was born near Rochester, N. Y., May 28, 1834 and came with her parents to Vernon county in 1855, then spent a year in Minnesota and returned to Victory, Wis., in 1856 and has lived in Vernon county for the past sixty-seven years. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Ann Bean of Stoddard, two nephews, Lloyd Woodward of La Crosse and Elmer Woodward of Genoa, and one niece, Mrs. Eunice Franzini of Chattanooga, Tenn. Rev. Shanley of La Crosse officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Munyon spent a day last week with Mrs. Munyon's sister, Mrs. Isabel Warner. They were enroute for Minneapolis where they expect to make an extended visit with relatives.

A son, Arnold Earl, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Davis Monday, December 10th.

Henry Robinson of Viroqua transacted business in Stoddard Wednesday.

Mr. Leon Herried, state bank examiner, examined the condition of our local bank Thursday.

Miss Meta Laedeke was a caller at the Art Twite home Wednesday.

Mrs. Adolph Wrobel who was quite ill with the measles is still confined to her home suffering with ear trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holsher of Aberdeen spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Wehling.

Word has been received here of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert White on Tuesday, November 27, at Platteville, Wis.

Clyde Umberger and H. P. Kircher have installed radios in their homes.

Mrs. Frank Pope of La Crosse spent Thursday at the Marion Davis home.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Brackebusch, Miss Dora Bay and Miss Edna Stellner spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Krause, near Onalaska.

Mr. Herbert Monske is ill at the St. Francis hospital at La Crosse with typhoid fever.

On December 5th Miss Marie Nottingham of Stoddard and Thomas Clements of Genoa were married at Winona, Minn., by Judge Looby. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shumway of Trempealeau attended them.

Our local school rendered a splendid Christmas program Thursday evening in Wrobel's hall. School closed Friday for a two weeks' vacation, the teachers, Misses Lynch Kolhaus and Webber have left for their respective homes.

A Christmas program will be given at the St. Matthews Lutheran church Monday evening.

BRINGING UP FATHER

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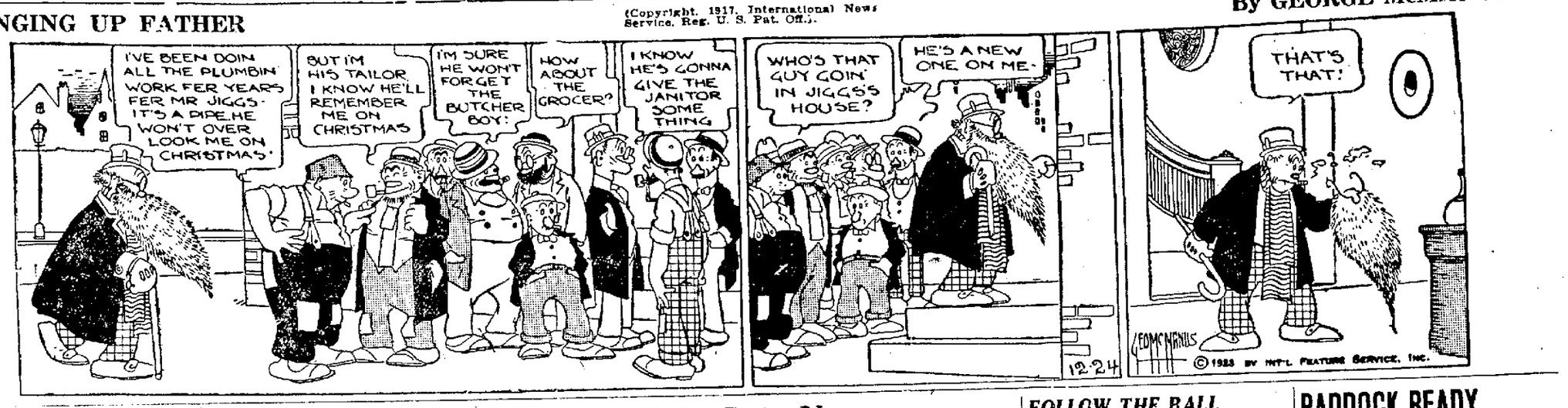

MINNEAPOLIS TRIALS TO SELECT SKIERS FOR 1924 OLYMPIC

Yes—But How Can Ski-jump or Bob Without Snow?

MINNEAPOLIS.—Four skiers and a bob-sled team, to represent American competition in the Olympic games in France next year were selected here December 20 and January 1 at the first of the Olympiad will be held in Chamonix, France, January 25 to February 5, 1924, with the other events in Paris in July.

Thirty skiers from all sections of the country will participate in the tryouts here, from which the four best will be selected by officials of the National Ski association, who will certify the athletes' names to the Olympic committee.

Four events are scheduled to be held at Glenwood Park here, where the national ski tournament was run last year. They will be the long distance skiing event of 50 kilometers; the 12 to 18 kilometer race; the ski jumping contest, and a combined race. The four winners will automatically become the United States entrants in the bob-sled competition.

Exceptionally mild weather in the northwest this winter has hindered practice work, and the absence of snow presents a problem for the contest committee, but it is planned to carry through the skiing competition even if snow has to be imported, as the team must leave New York City for France on January 9, it was said.

FRENCH CHRISTMAS AGAIN IS HONORED

Day of Children Returns for First Time in Years

PARIS.—Christmas in the real old time spirit has come back to France. After a long eclipse by New Year's as the annual occasion for the exchange of gifts, the children's influence for a Christmas gift giving time has gained the upper hand and Santa Claus has come into his own again.

Pearl necklaces and diamonds will be given as usual on New Year's, though on a somewhat reduced scale, but the greatest business in years is being done in jumping jacks, dolls, toy railroad trains and airplanes for the youngsters' wooden shoes on Christmas morning.

The fathers of large families who find the Christmas burden rather heavy say the department stores are largely responsible for reviving the popularity of Christmas through their policy of making elaborate window displays. The Christmas shop windows of Paris have become as big a feature of the season as in New York.

Department store managers say their trade this season promises to surpass all records in the toy section, though falling short of previous years in the sale of gifts for grownups.

DEPARTMENT STORE AT PRAIRIE DU SAC ROBBED BY YEGGS

PRAIRIE DU SAC, Wis.—The Conger-Schoephorster company, large department store of Prairie du Sac, was entered by robbers shortly after two o'clock Monday morning and $700 in cash taken from the store safe, which was blown to pieces, managers of the store reported.

The money taken constituted receipts of the store on Saturday.

Three explosions are said to have taken place in the store. Police officials have no clue as to the identity or whereabouts of the robbers.

IRISH RELEASE FAMOUS WOMAN

DUBLIN.—By The Associated Press.—The Free State government Monday announced the release of Countess Georgina Markievecz, one of the leading women republicans, who was arrested here on November 20. The government also announced that between December 1 and December 23, political prisoners to the number of 3,481 had been liberated.

BURNS UNDER CAR

JANESVILLE, Wis.—Pinned beneath an automobile when it went off the concrete road near Sharon, Paul Wolcott, 19, Sharon, was burned to death Saturday night. Wolcott, with George Stoll, was going to a dance at Clinton with Stoll driving. The car went off the road, turned turtle and the automobile caught on fire, Wolcot dying before the fire was extinguished.

Fresh roasted Peanuts. Leave your order in advance for large quantities. Bodega Club.

NEW ALBIN BEATS SPRING GROVE IN CAGE CONTEST, 39-2

NEW ALBIN, Iowa.—(Special.)—The New Albin high school team opened its home season last Friday night by defeating Spring Grove by a score of 39 to 2. The game was featured by the flashy floor work of Kuehr, Crowley, Randall and the Gantenbein brothers. The Spring Grove boys displayed a lack of training in comparison with Coach Copeland's cagers. The game was ably refereed by Max Daniels of Lansing. The New Albin five is one notch closer to the goal, the championship of northeastern Iowa and southeastern Minnesota.

"Petey" Wais Sets New Alley Record Here Sunday With Total of 284 Pins

"PETEY" WAIS, of the La Crosse Tribune, smashed all to smithereines the Arcade bowling alley record Sunday afternoon when he turned in the remarkable total of 284 pins. This wrecks the former record held by George Horn at 278.

"Petey" was bowling with his better half when the big count was smashed, Mrs. Wais correling 151 in the same game. In setting the new record, "Petey" laid down ten straight strikes, but on the eleventh ball, missed the head pin by "two feet," according to "Pete's" own statement. He added nine pins in the eleventh frame.

"After about the sixth frame, every strike was like pulling teeth," "Petey" said Monday morning, "and when I had passed the eighth frame I didn't know whether I was afoot or horseback. Finally in the eleventh frame, I let fly and missed the head pin by two feet."

He got 1051 pins in the five games he bowled.

ENGLISH GIRLS ARE REAL HOCKEY STARS

One of the most skillful and swiftest combinations of girl hockey players ever to show in America is the English all-star team which recently invaded the states. The English girls play a strong rushing game, almost masculine in its strenuosity, and few American teams have been able to check their offensive so far. A team picked of the best girl players in Philadelphia recently went down to defeat before the British visitors by the decisive score of 5 to 1. This shows a bit of action from the game.

SINCLAIR MAY ENTER TWO HORSES IN ENGLISH RACE

NEW YORK.—Two horses may carry the colors of an American owner, Harry F. Sinclair, in the running of the Ascot gold cup in England next June.

Zev, the champion three-year-old, and Grey Lag, a great five-year-old, have been entered by Mr. Sinclair keeping the promise made after the Zev-Papyrus race to reciprocate the sportsmanship of Ben Irish, then owner of Papyrus, by having Zev meet his rival at the latter's home next season.

NEWSPAPER MAN DIES

MASON CITY, Iowa.—A. M. Conroy, for twenty-five years business manager of the Globe Gazette, died at his home here late today. He was president of the Iowa Daily association of newspapermen in the state.

All catfish are devoid of scales.

BOWLERS TIED FOR GOOSE ON NUMBER 7 ALLEY

George Mueller and John Williams are having a big squabble over the Jebien goose which goes to No. 7 alley, both men being tied at 234 pins.

John says as how George wouldn't have much chance with him rolling it off, so he suggested running a two-mile foot race with him up Main street. Where would George have most chance.

The winners of the other Geese are:

Alley 7—Geo. Mueller, 234.
Alley 7—John Williams, 234.
Alley 8—Wm. Nordengren 247
Alley 9—B. Schmikla, 221.
Alley 10—A. Weigel 220.

Virginia's Finest Peanuts, roasted fresh daily, 5c sacks, 25c a lb. Bodega Club.

Out of every 100,000 persons in the United States, 220 are in institutions with mental diseases.

NAME OFFICIALS FOR GRID BATTLE IN PASADENA BOWL

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—With the exception of a field judge who will be announced later, the officials of the New Year's day football game at the Pasadena Rose bowl between the University of Washington and the United States Naval Academy, have been chosen and were announced by graduate Manager Darwin W. Meisnest. George M. Varnell, University of Chicago, will referee; J. W. Crowell, Swarthmore, is the umpire, and Kenneth Bartlett, Oregon, head lineman.

PIONEER RAIL MAN DIES

HIBBING, Minn.—John Mago Sheehy, 55 years old, pioneer of the Missabe range and one of the best known railroad employes in the northwest, died early today following an operation at a hospital here. He was employed at Hibbing by the Duluth, Missabe & Northern railroad.

FOLLOW THE BALL WAS SLOGAN OF MICHIGAN COACH

Revolutionary steps taken by the Michigan coaching staff are credited with producing an unbeaten eleven this year.

Michigan is probably the only eleven in the United States that was not trained with the aid of tackling dummy, bucking and charging machines. On two days during the training season the dummy was used for a few minutes but the bucking and charging machines were never resorted to.

The coaches explain that instead of using the artificial means to get the team into shape they resorted to a football. They made the candidates follow the ball. This developed speed, elusiveness and agility in the players. These qualities gave Michigan the remarkable defense which the team showed during the 1923 season.

FRANK MARTIN TO TAKE ON STECHER AT WEST SALEM

Frank Martin, La Crosse normal student, who has been angling for a wrestling bout in La Crosse, will take on Joe Stecher at West Salem next Saturday night, it was announced today. The Krussman hall at West Salem has been secured for the match.

Fresh roasted Jumbe Peanuts. Special prices in large quantities. Bodega Club.

PADDOCK READY TO EXPLAIN HIS SIDE OF CASE

Statements He Had Made Have Been Exaggerated to the A. A. U.

PASADENA, Cal.—When informed of the stand taken by the American Olympic committee and of the statements credited to Prof. William C. Prout, president of the A. A. U., Charles Paddock, in a statement made at his home here, said that he did not believe Prof. Prout fully understood Paddock's attitude toward the A. A. U.

He said further that statements he was accused of having made, doubtless had been exaggerated to the A. A. U. president and that, if desired, a detailed statement would be made to the athletic official.

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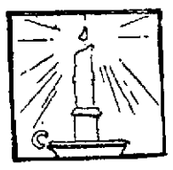

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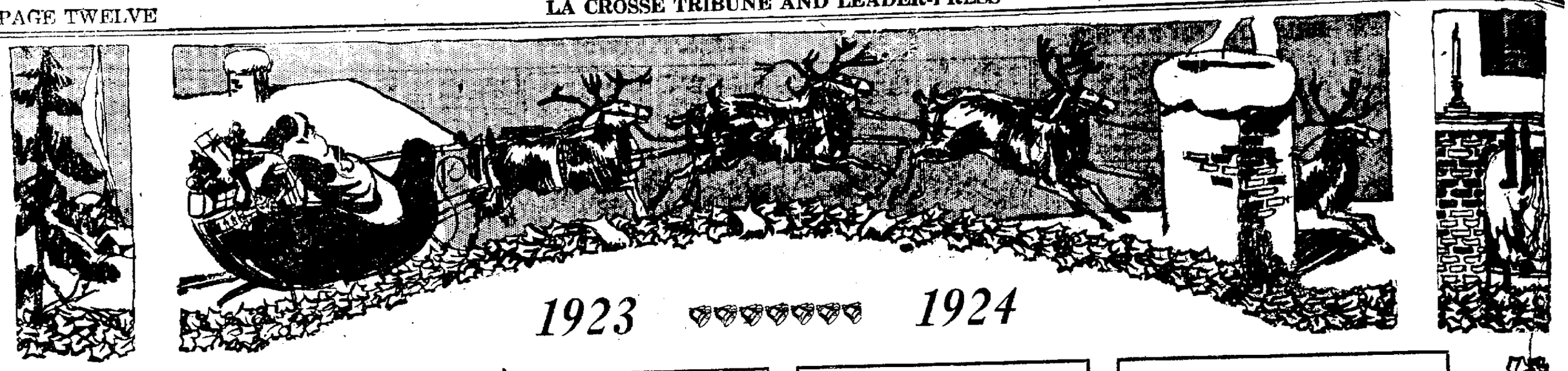

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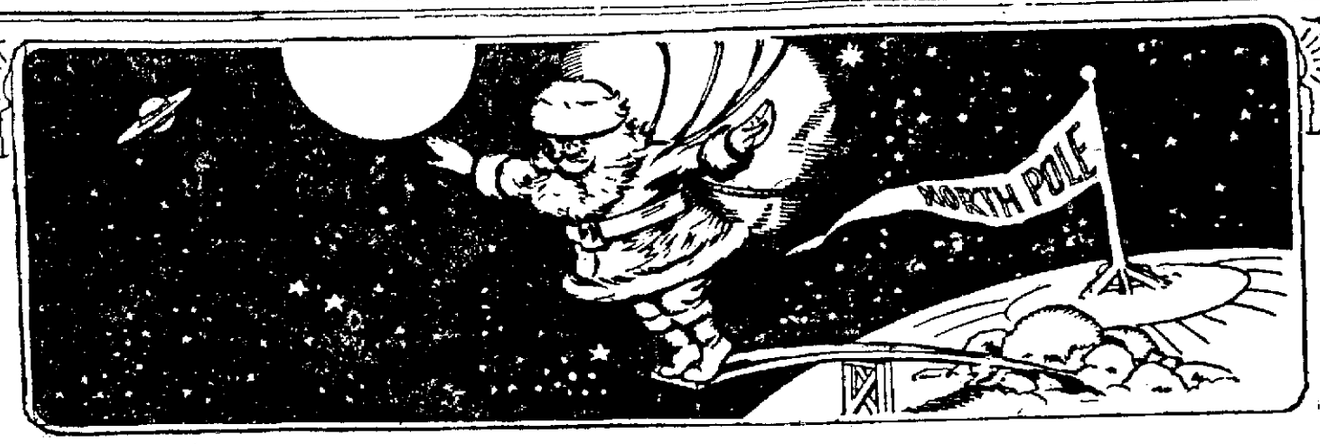

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May your cup of Happiness for 1924 be full to the brim.

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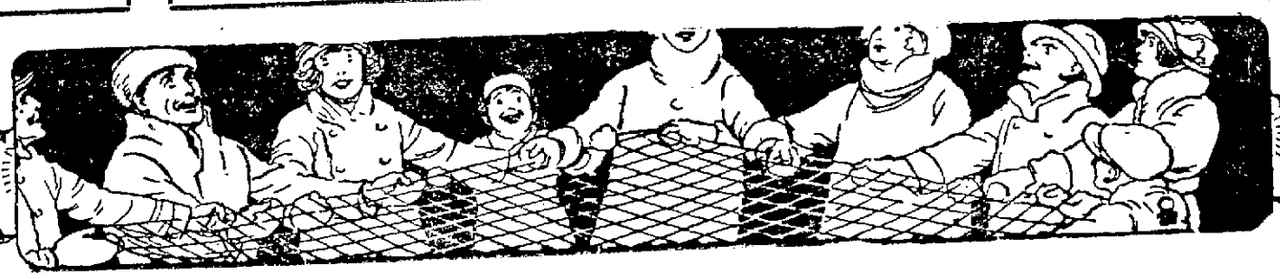

FRENCH AIRSHIP WITH FIFTY MEN LOST OVER AFRICA

Reported Well Inland But Location is Mystery—May be Able to Land

RAN OUT OF GASOLINE TRYING FOR A RECORD

Aloft Three Days on Friday and Still Drifting

PARIS.—By The Associated Press.—There appeared this morning to be some hope of having the French dirigible Dixmude, which with fifty officers and men aboard, has been drifting helplessly for three days over the Gulf of Gabes, on the North coast of Africa, and over the interior of Tunis.

Although news received in Paris has been sparse, the latest advices said that the great airship had drifted well inland and taking a northwesterly direction, was hovering in the vicinity of Foum Tathouine, thirty miles south of Medinin.

Mark Landing Place

Military authorities at Faum Tathouine were reported to have prepared a fair landing place, in case the ship was able to descend. Automobile headlights were set to mark out the spot through the night. A strong force of troops was also present.

The Italian authorities in Tripoli have instructed all military posts to maintain a close watch for the Dixmude and to take all necessary steps to aid her should help be necessary steps to aid her should help be necessary.

British officials at Malta have warned naval units in the Mediterranean to keep an extra lookout by day and searchlights playing by night.

Out of Gas

Successfully accomplishing a three day flight from Cuers-Pierrefeu to Insalab, Southern Algeria, the Dixmude, last Friday afternoon, headed eastward for Tunis. Her gasoline supply was so low that it was necessary to put her on only one of her six motors. Then she began to drift, sending out distress signals that put in motion all French naval units within call and all garrisons in the Tunis district.

Last September the Dixmude established a world's record duration flight of 4,500 miles. She was endeavoring to break this record when trouble overtook her.

WHITE HOUSE IS OPEN AGAIN FOR OLD XMAS CUSTOM

WASHINGTON.—All gates of the White House grounds will be thrown open tonight while Christmas carols are sung at the north entrance of the executive mansion.

Mrs. Coolidge, wife of the president, was the moving spirit in having the old custom revived, and at her invitation the public will take part in the celebration.

The vested choir of the First Congregational church, where the president and Mrs. Coolidge worship, will lead the singing. Musicians from the Marine band will assist.

When you want fresh roasted Peanuts get them at the Rodega Club.

ATMOSPHERE MADE TO ORDER

The bureau of standards at Washington, in order to test the action of gasoline at great heights to determine whether it will be a safe fuel for airplanes five miles or more up in the air, has constructed a special testing room where the atmospheric pressure and other conditions 30,000 feet up can be duplicated on the earth.

JAIL RAISES RATES

ST. CLOUD, Minn.—Federal prisoners will be barred from the Stearns county jail hereafter unless the allowance made for board per day is increased from 57 cents to 70 cents, according to a resolution passed by the board of county commissioners.

We roast Jumbo Peanuts every day. 5c sacks or 25c a lb. Rodega Club.

EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH OBSERVES UNIVERSAL XMAS

CHICAGO, Ill.—Christmas this year is unique from the fact that for the first time in 350 years almost all of Christendom in theory will celebrate the day on December 25.

This means that 125,000,000 people connected with the eastern Orthodox national churches, of which the Greek and Russian are chief, will join in the occasion with the others of the Christian world.

Until this year, members of those churches have followed the Julian calendar which causes a gap of fourteen days between Christmas observed in eastern and western churches. Now the Gregorian calendar of western churches has been adopted, bringing unity.

Due to unsettled conditions in countries where the Russian and Greek churches are strongest, it is believed that the change in dates might not yet be effected.

STECHER TRIES BASEBALL

OMAHA, Neb.—Joe Stecher of Dodge, Neb., former heavyweight wrestling champion of the world and exponent of the crushing scissors hold may try out with the Omaha western league team as first baseman.

MOVIES

CASINO TODAY AND ALL WEEK

Oriental atmosphere dominates "The Green Goddess," the spectacular photodrama coming to the Casino Theater, with George Arliss starred and Alice Joyce in the leading feminine role. When Distinctive Pictures Corporation decided to make the screen version of this Broadway stage success, it employed Roshanara, interpreter of East Indian dances, as technical adviser for all of the Indian costumes, sets and customs which are essential to the piece.

Roshanara had done this work for the Winthrop Ames stage production in which Mr. Arliss played for two years on Broadway and then toured for another year.

"POTASH AND PERLMUTTER"

During the filming of "Potash and Perlmutter," Director Clarence Badger found himself confronted with the task of finding two dozen girls to play the parts of cloak and suit models. He got busy on the telephone and found the modistes graciously willing to "loan" their models long enough for Badger's purposes. And, in addition, they furnished the latest of advance styles for the models to wear.

"Potash and Perlmutter," which is from the pen of Montague Glass, is coming to the Rivoli Theater on Wednesday. The leading roles are portrayed by Barney Bernard, Alexander Carr and Vera Gordon.

"ROUGED LIPS"

Viola Dana, the tiny, irrepressible comedienne appeared last night at the Rivoli Theater in her newest picture appropriately enough titled "Rouged Lips." This picture, taken from Rita Weiman's short story which appeared in the Saturday Evening Post under the name of "Upstage", forms Miss Dana's most delectable vehicle among the many which she has graced with her remarkably vivacious portrayals.

"Rouged Lips" is a roguish comedy of the stage. The supporting cast is lead by Tom Moore, one of the most sought-after leading men in pictures. Others, all able players, include Nola Luxford, Arline Pretty, Sidney de Grey, Francis Powers, George Woodthorpe, and Burwell Hamrick.

One or two drops of tincture of iodine will vanquish germs in a quart of unsafe water within 20 to 30 minutes.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR PATRONS

We are quite sure that our Christmas program is going to please you.

WILLIAM DUNCAN and EDITH JOHNSON in

"Steel Heart"

A combat between man and bear, a fight on a cliff, an exciting encounter in the rapids, an explosion in the mountains and the thrilling rescue of a horse from a river interwoven in an intense love story, and

"THE SIMP" with LLOYD HAMILTON
and "Never Say Die," a Pathe Comedy.

Remember our Christmas Matinee. Some girl and some boy is going to get a talking doll and skates.

Spend a part of this holiday at

The RIVIERA THEATRE

MAJESTIC

Note: Seats ordered by phone for Sunday and holidays, must be called for by 6:30 P. M.

THE

BEACH-JONES STOCK CO.

—WITH—

Eloda Sitzer

"The Little Redhead"

ARE

Wishing You Christmas Joys

TODAY and TOMORROW
"NICE PEOPLE"

Matinee Christmas Day.

WE WISH OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Complete show at 9:30.

PRICES
Matinee, 10c and 30c—Plus tax.
Night—All seats, 40c—Plus tax.

TODAY and Remainder of the Week

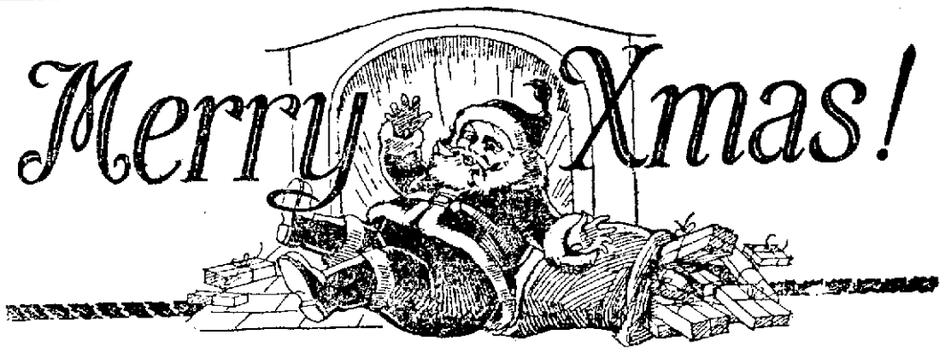
Make your Christmas joys complete by seeing this remarkable drama!

"East Is East, West Is West"—

and though the wealthy and powerful Rajah of Rukh offered his kingdom for her love she asked only for her freedom.

Against a spectacular background of Oriental beauty in the gilded palace chambers of a cruel eastern potentate one of the most dramatic romances of theatrical history is unfolded.

The famous stage success that thrilled audiences for years now comes to the screen, a sensational art achievement—an epic of photoplays.



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VIOLA DANA and TOM MOORE in "ROUGED LIPS"

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WILLIAM DUNCAN and EDITH JOHNSON
—IN—

"Steel Heart"

Sensational western drama.

—AND—

LLOYD HAMILTON in

"The Simp"

and a Pathe comedy.

Children *10c*
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Including war tax.

Special matinee Christmas Day for the kiddies.

A Talking Doll
for some girl.

A Pair of Ice Skates
for some boy.

Given Away at Christmas Matinee.

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Since we have had so little snow, Santa will come in a balloon. Come and get one and celebrate with the rest of us.

Venetian Dance, Dec. 31.

Dance Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday.

Take the Bus from Fourth and Main.

WE WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS

TODAY *and Tuesday*

COOPER'S

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PRICES: 10c and 30c—Plus tax.

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A PIERCING DRAMA OF YOUNG MOTHERHOOD.

A powerful story with its stunning revelations of the soul of womankind.

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IN THE GREATEST PICTURE OF HER CAREER

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WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY—VIOLA DANA in "Love in the Dark."

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FRATERNAL NOTICES

Smith Chapter, No. 13

SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, Dec. 26th.
4:00 P. M.
with a 6:30 dinner.
Work in R. A. M. Degree.
All Companions welcome.
A. F. KNIEBUSCH, H. P.

WANTED—MALE HELP

WANTED

For class work in Minnesota for special and general millwork, factory employment. Must be thoroughly competent.
RED WING MILLWORK COMPANY,
Red Wing, Minn.

WANTED

Two first class cut stone draftsmen with experience making drawings for art work; must be steady and competent positions.
BEDFORD STONE CLUB,
EMPLOYMENT BUREAU,
Bedford, Ind.

WANTED

Two high grade salesladies for ready-to-wear. Must be A No. 1. Positions open in January.
HEINEMANN BROS. CO.,
Wausau, Wis.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP

SALESMEN WANTED

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—At the second hand store, 710 Mississippi St., tables, stands, heaters, chairs, shoes, rockers, one two-burner oil stove. 12 23 23

GET YOUR MILK and cream for Christmas parties from H. G. Willey, milk station, 6th and Vine. Larger quantities delivered. 12 22 23

FOR SALE—Glazed tile silo and building tile suitable for house, barn or any other building. Frank Bartsch, Rt. 1, La Crosse. 12 18 23

BARGAINS in used saxophones, cornets and other band instruments. Easy payments. Leitholf Piano Co. 12 11 23

FOR SALE—Baby carriage and crib. Very good condition. Both for $11. Phone 872-R. 1609½ So. 2nd. 12 19 Wed Fri Sun

FOR SALE—100 steel barrels, 50 and 55 gallon capacity; with one head out, 25 each. Standard Oil Co. 12 22 24

$2 PER MONTH buys a used square piano, $50. Used parlor organs $8 and up. Leitholf Piano Co. 12 11 23

FOR SALE—Two dress suits. Excellent condition. Exceptionally reasonable. Phone 2030-A. 12 20 27

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La Crosse, Wis.
Call and see samples.

FOR SALE—Roll top desk, filing cabinet, small desk, two desk chairs. Phone 1066-M. 12 19 26

FOR SALE—Large soft coal heater, large range with reservoir. 2408 Badger. 12 22 23

FOR SALE—Lionel electric train, wide gauge track, transformer. 1116 So. 4th. 12 21 23

FOR SALE—Organ. Cheap if taken at once. Phone 1930-J or call 1618 Charles. 12 23 26

TEN HEAD Guernsey and Jersey cows. H. G. Willey, Bethel, Wis. 12 22 24

HAY FOR SALE—6 years old. Weight 1,300 each. Phone 2416-Blue. 12 23 25

FOR SALE—Girl's Phoenix bicycle. Good. Phone 1329-R. 12 21 23

FOR SALE—Kimball piano. Very reasonable. 1467-R. 12 21 23

FOR SALE—Gas range. Phone 1358-W. 12 22 24

FOR SALE—Fine violin. Phone 627-M. 12 18 24

FOR SALE—Morris chair, 17½. Parcells. 12 22 24

FOR SALE—Cow for sale. Call 3272-M. 12 20 24

FOR RENT—ROOMS

SINGLE furnished clean near business; heating rooms, private bath and lavatory; suitable for three or four; also single rooms. 12 21 23

FOR RENT—Two furnished heated rooms, suitable for three or four; also single rooms. Tel. 872-R. 109 Gillette St. 12 21 Tel Sun Wed

FOR LIGHT housekeeping room, well heated, also three rooms for sleeping. 1015 West Ave. No. 12 21 23

FOR RENT—Furnished 4th modern apartment, 2 or 3-room, power flat, heated, 2 or 3-room. 12 20 27

TWO MODERN rooms furnished for light housekeeping. 409 No. 4th. 12 20 23

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CITY HEATED rooms. Business or working men preferred. 122 So. 7th. 12 21 23

FOR RENT—Two modern furnished rooms with kitchenette. 149 So. 4th. 12 21 23

NEWLY decorated modern furnished rooms. 115 State. Phone 914-M. 12 21 23

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, parlor, bedroom, bath. 1220 Cass St. 12 19 26

NEATLY furnished rooms. 1210 Vine St. 12 22 24

TWO FURNISHED light housekeeping rooms for rent. 214 N. 4th. 12 21 24

FURNISHED room, city heat, hot and cold water. 532 Main. 12 22 24

TWO MODERN light housekeeping rooms. 7-9 So. 4th. 12 20 23

FRONT room suitable for two people. 1420 Cass. 12 21 23

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ROOMS FOR RENT. 810 State. 12 22 24

For Rent—Houses and Flats

NEARLY new 6-room modern house. Inquire 1117 Gillette St. Close in. Address K-22, Tribune. 12 23 24

FOR RENT. 7-room modern house with heat. Garage. Call 1620 So. 12 22 23

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SEVEN-ROOM house on 1413 South 4th. All modern. Newly decorated. 12 21

FOR RENT—Two flats upstairs. 12 22 23

Furnished Cozy Kissenger. 12 22 23

FOR RENT—House and two lots. West La Crosse. Phone 2415-M. 12 23 26

LIGHT housekeeping house for rent. Inquire 1105 Johnson St. 12 21 23

FOR RENT—Lower flat. 1641 Rand. Call 2348-R. 12 23 26

MODERN house. 121 Copeland Ave. 12 21 23

FOR ROOM flat for rent. 416 So. 3rd. 12 19 23

MODERN 6-room house. Inquire 118 So. 12th. 12 21 23

FARTLY modern house. Inquire 801 Jay. 12 18 23

FOUR-ROOM house for rent. Call 832 Rose. 12 21 23

HOUSE FOR RENT—Call 632 Rand. 12 21 23

For Rent—Miscellaneous

GARAGE FOR RENT—505 So. 5th. Phone 2202-Y. 12 22 23

GARAGE FOR RENT—216 Vine. 12 21 23

SEWING MACHINES

ALL MAKES sewing machines repaired, oil, new and used machines sold. Kathary's Sewing Machine Shop, 904 So. 4th St. Phone 1385-A. 12 5 1 4

MISCELLANEOUS

TROTTER Detective Bureau, Inc., La Crosse. Bonded Expert Secret Service. All matters confidential. Bonded collectors. Service anywhere. Reasonable rates. Address Andrus Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn. 12 23 24

ANNOUNCEMENT
On account of the fire in our Undertaking department, please call 133 for day calls and 176-3 rings or 1156-C for night calls.
TILLMAN BROS.

$10.00 PER MONTH on a $100.00 purchase. Starts you housekeeping. Boyer-Port Furniture Company. 11 15 tf

WANTED TO BUY WASH 22 lbs. $3.00. Collect for and delivered. Phone 2-Red. 12 22 24

WANTED—Washing called for and delivered. Phone 3572-Blue. 12 21 30

PRIVATE NURSING—Phone 1374-Green. 12 12 26

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Black coin purse between 5th and 6th on Main, with two $5 bills and change. Also clipping from Tribune. Finder return to Veronica Wolfer, 1525 Main. 12 24 26

LOST—Man's gold watch with fob and chain with small cross, on 2nd between Main and State. Return to 1814 La Crosse. Reward. 12 22 24

LOST—Platinum Shrine pin on Myrick park car or from 4th and Main to postoffice. Reward. Call 2747-A or 516 No. 12th. 12 21 23

PARTY taking tricycle from Normal bike shed please call 1572-M. 12 22 23

LOST—Light gray angora kitten. Phone 1254-A. Reward. 12 21 23

LOST—Man's left hand grey kid gloves. Call 1561-A. 12 23 24

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BEAUTIFUL Franklin sedan in perfect condition (Late model 9-B). This car has all necessary accessories, and is ideal for winter driving. A great bargain at $1,250. Phone Sunday for demonstration. L. A. Wilkie, Stoddard hotel. 12 23 23

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Building all steam heated and electric lights. Clears $100 month net. Price only $1200 cash. Want La Crosse lots. See
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FOR SALE—Police pups, 3 weeks old. John Rozendale, Onalaska. 12 19 Wed Sun 4wks

FOR SALE—Lewellyn setter male pup, 3 months old. Phone 1000-R. 12 2 23

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WANT TO BUY Used clothing in good condition. Will pay reasonable cash price. Phone 1488-A. 11 25 1mo

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WANTED by Dec. 26, one or two unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 2767-C. 12 22 26

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FOR SALE—New half modern 5-room bungalow, 20th and Cass. For information call 609 West Ave. South. 12 13 24

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice to Contractors

Bids will be received by the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors, on or before Saturday, December 29th, 1923, at 10:30 A. M. at the office of the County Clerk in the Court House at La Crosse, Wisconsin, for the Wood Painting, Painting and Decorating the interior of the La Crosse County Court House at La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Plans and specifications are on file at the office of the County Clerk. Each bid is to be accompanied by a certified check in an amount equal to 5 per cent of the contract price.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

JOHN L. ASH,
A. C. KAYLOR,
JOHN SKUSLEN,
Committee on Buildings and Grounds.
Dated December 11, 1923.

Summons

Circuit Court, La Crosse County.
National Bank of La Crosse, a Corporation, Plaintiff,
—vs—
Peter Kreutz, Defendant.
The State of Wisconsin to the said Defendant:

You are hereby summoned to appear within twenty days after service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and defend the above entitled action in the court aforesaid; and in case of your failure so to do judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

H. GORDON, LAW & GORDON,
Plaintiff Attorneys.
P. O. Address, La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wis.

State of Wisconsin, In Circuit Court for La Crosse County.
Karl Johnson, Plaintiff,
—vs—
George Tierney and Mrs. George Tierney, his Wife, Defendants.

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure and sale in the above entitled action rendered on the 15th day of November, A. D. 1923, the undersigned, Sheriff of La Crosse County, Wisconsin, duly appointed in said judgment to make said sale, will sell at public sale at the east front door of the Court House in the City of La Crosse, County of La Crosse, and State of Wisconsin, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the real estate and mortgaged premises described in said judgment to be sold and therein described as follows:

The Northwest Quarter (NW¼) of Section Number Twenty-six (26), and the South One-half (S½) of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼), of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼) of Section Number Twenty-two (22), all in Township Number Eighteen (18), North of Range Eight (8), west of the fourth principal meridian, said land being in the County of La Crosse and State of Wisconsin.

B. J. LUND,
Sheriff.

Terms of sale, cash.
Dated November 20th, A. D. 1923.
MAHONEY AND SCHUBERT,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
Linker Building.

Summons

State of Wisconsin, In Circuit Court, for La Crosse County.
William Leging, Plaintiff,
—vs—
Bertha Leging, Defendant.
The State of Wisconsin to the said Defendant:

You are hereby summoned to appear within twenty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service, and defend the above entitled action in the court aforesaid; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

ALBERT C. WOLFE,
Plaintiff's Attorney.
P. O. Address: 215 State Bank Bldg., La Crosse, Wisconsin.

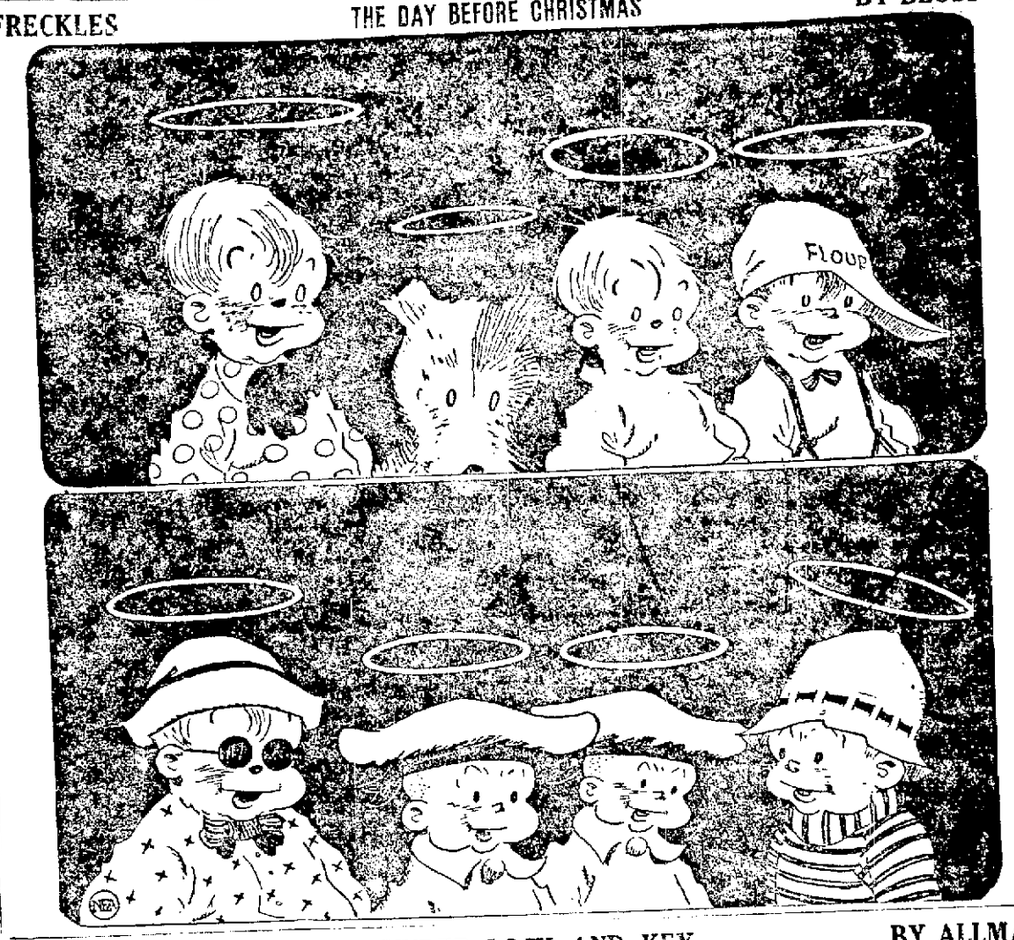
State of Wisconsin, La Crosse County
In Probate.
In the Matter of the Will of Katarzyna Rejkowski, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given: That at a special term of the County Court, to be held in and for said county, at the Court House in the City of La Crosse, in said County, on the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1924, the following matters will be heard, considered, examined and adjusted:

The application of Joseph Krane, the executor of the estate of Katarzyna Rejkowski, late of the City of La Crosse, in said County, deceased, for the settlement of his final account as such executor, which account is now on file in said court. For the assignment of the residue of said estate to persons entitled thereto, and for the allowance of claims paid without filing, as set forth in said final account.

Dated December 8th, A. D. 1923.
By the Court:
JOHN BRINDLEY, Judge.
LAWRENCE J. BRODY,
Attorney.

FRECKLES — THE DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS — BY BLOSSER



THE DUFFS — UNDER LOCK AND KEY — BY ALLMAN

LEGAL NOTICES

State of Wisconsin, In Circuit Court for La Crosse County.
Charles J. Nordengren, Plaintiff,
—vs—
E. G. Laun and Vernie Laun, his wife, George A. Bosmer, C. F. Wienke and Mrs. C. F. Wienke, his wife, Defendants.

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure and sale in the above entitled action rendered on the 15th day of November, A. D. 1923, the undersigned Sheriff of La Crosse County, Wisconsin, duly appointed in said judgment to make said sale, will sell at public sale at the east front door of the Court House in the City of La Crosse, County of La Crosse, and State of Wisconsin, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the real estate and mortgaged premises described in said judgment to be sold and therein described as follows:

The Northwest Quarter (NW¼) of Section Number Twenty-six (26), and the South One-half (S½) of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼), of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼) of Section Number Twenty-two (22), all in Township Number Eighteen (18), North of Range Eight (8), west of the fourth principal meridian, said land being in the County of La Crosse and State of Wisconsin.

B. J. LUND,
Sheriff.

Terms of sale, cash.
Dated November 20th, A. D. 1923.
MAHONEY AND SCHUBERT,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
Linker Building.

LOCAL MARKETS

Flour and Feed
(A. Gram- & Sons)

"Wingold" Flour, 98-pound cotton sacks, per barrel	$ 7.80
"Wingold" Flour, 49-pound cotton sacks, per barrel	8.00
"Wingold" Flour, 24½-pound paper sacks, per barrel	7.90
"Wingold" Flour, 12¼-pound paper sacks, per barrel	8.10
"Wingold" Flour, 5-pound paper sacks, per barrel	8.70

Mill Feed

"Bay State" Bran, in 100-pound sacks, per ton	32.00
"Bay State" Std Midds, in 100-pound sacks, per ton	32.00

Butter and Eggs
(Quoted by Miller-Rose Company)

Butter	48c
Eggs	52½-53c

Fruits

Celery, per doz.	50-75-1.00
Grapes, Emperors, per keg	5.00
Calif. navel oranges, per box	3.00
Florida oranges, per box	3.50
Cheese Twins, per lb.	21c
Bananas, per lb.	4.50-5.50
Lemons, per box	6.50
Cranberries, per bbl. bbl. box	8.00
Grapefruit, per box	3.25
Pears, per box	1.25-2.50-3.25
Figs, per box	11c
Dates, Halliwi, per lb.	4.00
Dates, Cancel, 36 pkgs. per case	4.00
Dates, Dromedary, 36 pkgs. case	6.50

RESERVOIR BURSTS AND CUDAHY PLANT SUFFERS BIG LOSS

Concrete Wall Carried 100 Feet by Rush of Water

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Damages estimated at $25,000 were caused at the Cudahy Brothers' company packing plant at Cudahy this morning when a new concrete reservoir burst. Approximately a million and a quarter gallons of water was liberated when the west wall gave way.

The wall was carried more than 100 yards by the rush of the water, which demolished a boxcar standing on the side track. Damage was caused to the building occupied by the purchasing department, the real estate department and the cashier's office.

Shortly after 9 a. m. five feet of water was standing in the building.

Freshies Must Wear Derbies

Upper classmen at Marquette university decreed that all Freshies at the opening of the recent school term must wear derbies on a certain day, and in accordance with traditions and orders from the older collegians the Freshies wore their "bell crowns" to a man on the Friday set aside for the custom.

STEADY STREAM OF CHRISTMAS WISHES REACH POPE PIUS

Pope Hopes that Peace and Good Will May Prevail on Earth

ROME.—Christmas greetings from all over the world are reaching Pope Pius in a steady stream, those from America being especially numerous. There were preliminary observances within the vatican today. The gardeners of the Vatican presented the pontiff with a tribute of flowers and fruit. Later all the members of the Sacred college were received and tendered their good wishes, the dean of the college, Cardinal Vannutelli, delivering an appropriate address. Pope Pius responded with impromptu remarks, ending by extending the Christmas hope that „God might be glorified and peace and good will prevail on earth.

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the day after Christmas — and continues Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

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Radical Cut Price Pre-Inventory SALE

Every woman—or miss in this city or surrounding country—is urgently invited to attend this tremendous "CUT PRICE" Sale of fine Coats and Dresses. This store has gained wide fame for its value-giving—for its honest service—for its advance styles—and extremely low prices—and now just before we take inventory—right before New Year's—and to wind up a most successful year's business—we are instructed from our central office to **CUT PRICES UNMERCIFULLY.** You know what that means—it brings to you the greatest bargains—real honest-to-goodness bargains, ever presented before the womenfolks of this city—or country—Come Wednesday if possible—but **be sure** to come one day this week—**Sale continues THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY.** All sales final, no charges.

Silk Cloth Satin Dresses

WOMEN'S and Misses' wonderful Dress bargains—all new styles—all new colors—fine Cloth Dresses—Twill, Serge, Velours and new Worsteds—choicest Silk Crepe Dresses—new soft lustrous Satin Dresses—Velvet Dresses, too—and Georgette, Lace and Jacquard Silk Dresses.

Four Marvelous Groups—All Reduced

Group One

Women's and Misses' Dresses

Regular $10 and $15 values—Cloth, Silks, Velours, and Satin Dresses—many pretty styles for College Girls and High School Girls—also Misses and Women—sizes to 44—all sensationally reduced—on sale this coming Wednesday—choice at **$4.85**

Group Two

Women's and Misses' Dresses

Regular $18, $20 and $22 values—many silks, new satins, and velveteens included—beautiful Cloth Dresses—rich Poiret Twill, checked Velours, Worsteds, etc.—all sizes to 44—all sensationally reduced—on sale this coming Wednesday—choice at **$8.85**

Group Three

Women's and Misses' Dresses

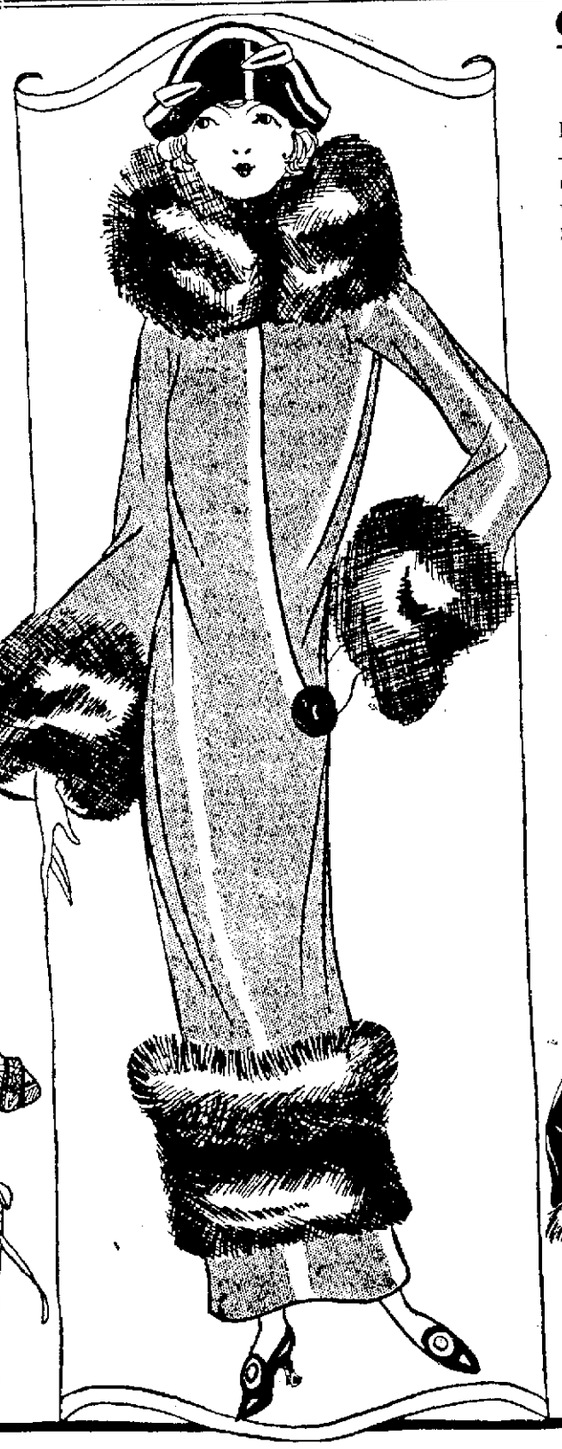
Regular $25, $30 and $35 values—for parties, dinners, evening, street and travel—very elegant styles—many beautifully beaded, lace, embroidery and ribbon trimmed—all sizes to 48—all sensationally reduced—on sale this coming Wednesday—choice at **$12.85**

Group Four Finest Dresses—of Velvet, Chiffons, Georgette, Laces, Satin Canton, Poiret Twill, etc.—fine blacks, browns, grays, tans, etc.—all smart new styles—with costly trimmings—beads, crystals, ornaments, laces, furs, etc.—values up to $55—all sensationally reduced—on sale this coming Wednesday — choice at **$18.85**

NOTICE

We are closing the most successful year in the history of this chain of stores—our Seven Store buying power—and our determination to make each store the best value-giving store in each locality—is bringing fame and friends—in every city.

We ask you to become a "booster" for our store—tell your friends the real facts—when you buy a good Coat for little money here—or a nice dress for a next-to-nothing price—give us the benefit—your friends will appreciate the "tip"—and you'll help our store grow—so we can give you still greater values—the **best dressed women of this city and county are coming here to shop because they find the newest fashions at lower prices—everybody saves money by shopping at JEROME'S.**



Women's & Misses Coats

BUY that Winter Coat this Wednesday—or surely this week—at this store—and you'll get a good Coat—at just about **ONE-HALF PRICE.** Our great Coat stocks include all newest styles—new long, full lengths—new "flare" model Coats—fine fur-texture Coats—with big collars and cuffs of furs—all silk lined or full satin lined—and warmly interlined—the best Coat styles produced in America—on sale starting this coming Wednesday at prices that will amaze.

Group One

Coats for Women and Misses

Full or three-quarter lengths—made of all-wool warm materials—fancy back or full lined—blacks, tans, grays, mixtures, browns—plaids and stripes—a few have fur collars—**regular $15, $20 and $25 values**—on sale starting Wednesday—at **$9.85**

Group Two

Coats for Women and Misses

In dozens of beautiful styles—cloth and some plushes—many Coats in this collection are fur-trimmed—others plain tailored—these are excellent styles—all well made—warm, stylish and serviceable—**regular $25 to $35 values**—on sale at **$14.85**

Group Three

Coats for Women and Misses

Very elegant styles—luxurious fur collars and cuffs—full silk and satin lined—and every Coat warmly interlined—included are many fur-fabric Coats of Caracul, Broadtail, Mole, Seal and "Crushed-Plush" fabrics—**regular $40, $45 and $50 values**—on sale starting Wednesday—at only **$19.85**

Group Four

Fine Cloth and Fur-tex Coats—for Women and Misses—**including many Extra-Stouts**—rich, handsome, warm Winter Coats that will last you 3 or 4 seasons — **values to $65**—big bargains at our Pre-Inventory price—only **$23.85**